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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

2 ON TUESDAY JULY 14, 2015 ON PAGE 125]

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE JULY 14TH, 2015 MEETING OF THE LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BEGIN. FIRST WE'LL BE
8 LED IN PRAYER BY REVEREND ALISIA PROCTOR OF THE IGLESIA
9 BAUTISTA PARK VISTA CHURCH AND OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY
10 SHELLEY DOWST, WHO WAS FORMERLY WITH THE UNITED STATES ARMY
11 AND IF THE AUDIENCE WOULD PLEASE RISE. AND PASTOR?

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13 **REV. ALISIA PROCTOR:** FATHER OF ALL HUMANITY. WE COME THIS DAY,
14 ASK FOR YOUR GUIDANCE, YOUR KNOWLEDGE, YOUR SKILL THAT YOU
15 SPREAD IT THROUGHOUT, THROUGH THESE PEOPLE, LORD, THAT MAKE
16 THE LAWS THAT GOVERN OUR LIVES. BLESS THEM AND KEEP THEM WITH
17 PATIENCE AND WITH KINDNESS AND WITH SKILL THAT THEY DO THE
18 BUSINESS THAT THEY HAVE TO DO TODAY. WE ASK THAT YOU TAKE CARE
19 OF ALL PEOPLE THAT ARE HERE TODAY, THAT THEY MIGHT LISTEN AND
20 LEARN AND KNOW THAT THESE PEOPLE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
21 ARE LOOKING AFTER OUR BEST INTEREST. MAY YOU COMFORT THEM AND
22 GIVE US ALL THAT WE NEED ON THIS DAY. WE ASK THIS, LORD,
23 PRAYING TO YOU, AMEN.

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1 **SHELLEY DOWST:** PLEASE REMAIN STANDING. PLEASE PLACE YOUR RIGHT
2 HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND FACE THE FLAG, IF YOU ARE A VETERAN
3 OR SERVICE MEMBER PLEASE SALUTE AND JOIN ME IN SAYING THE
4 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. THANK YOU, PASTOR
9 ALISIA PROCTOR, FOR LEADING US TODAY IN OUR INVOCATION. ALISIA
10 PROCTOR WAS BORN AT WHITE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL IN BOYLE HEIGHTS
11 AND RAISED HERE LOCALLY IN EAST LOS ANGELES. SHE RECEIVED HER
12 MASTER'S OF ART IN PASTORAL STUDIES AT AZUSA PACIFIC
13 UNIVERSITY AND SHORTLY THEREAFTER WAS ORDAINED AT THE AGE OF
14 70 AT PARK VISTA BAPTIST CHURCH IN EAST LOS ANGELES WHERE SHE
15 HAS BEEN SERVING AS ASSOCIATE PASTOR FOR THE PAST 17 YEARS.
16 PASTOR PROCTOR HAS ALSO BEEN ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN SERVING THE
17 EAST L.A. COMMUNITY AS A VOLUNTEER CLERGY FOR THE LOS ANGELES
18 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND A MEMBER OF THE GLENDORA WOMEN'S CLUB
19 FOR OVER 34 YEARS. PASTOR PROCTOR RETIRED FROM THE SOCIAL
20 SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AFTER HAVING WORKED THERE FOR 16
21 YEARS. SHE'S NOW ENJOYING HER FREE TIME PAINTING AND PLAYING
22 PIANO. THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY AND LEADING US IN OUR
23 PRAYER. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW IT'S ONCE AGAIN A PLEASURE TO
2 INTRODUCE SHELLEY DOWST, WHO LED US IN THE PLEDGE OF
3 ALLEGIANCE. SHE RESIDES IN COVINA, SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES
4 ARMY AND WAS A GRADUATE OF NORTH VIEW HIGH SCHOOL IN COVINA.
5 SHE SERVED WITH THE 864TH COMBAT ENGINEERS IN IRAQ. SHE
6 ATTENDED BROOKS COLLEGE FOR HER A.A. AND DERBY UNIVERSITY FOR
7 A BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE AND ALSO FIBER OPTICS COLLEGE. SHE'S
8 THE VETERANS' REPRESENTATIVE FOR R.W.M. FIBER OPTICS. SO THANK
9 YOU, SHELLEY, FOR YOUR SERVICE IN OUR MILITARY AND FOR LEADING
10 US IN THE PLEDGE. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR AND
13 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2, PRESENTATIONS
14 AND SET MATTERS. ON ITEM NO. S-1, AS POSTED ON THE
15 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT
16 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JULY 28, 2015. ON PAGE 3,
17 AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
18 COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D THROUGH 3-D, ON ITEM NO. 2-D, A MEMBER
19 OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD THE REMAINING
20 ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SECONDED
23 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE
2 MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H IS BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
5 THOMAS, SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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7 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE
8 MEETING OF REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM 1-P, A
9 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE
10 7, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 12. ON ITEM NO. 1,
11 SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THE APPOINTMENT OF MARILYN FRIED BE
12 REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE, AS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
13 AGENDA, AND ON THIS ITEM, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT
14 IT BE HELD. ITEM NO. 2, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT
15 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ITEM NO. 4, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS
16 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 5, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
17 THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY
18 21, 2015. ON ITEM NO. 6, THIS INCLUDES THE REVISION AS POSTED
19 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR
20 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT IT BE
21 HELD. ON ITEM NO. 8, THIS INCLUDES THE REVISIONS AS POSTED ON
22 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR KUEHL
23 AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT IT BE HELD. ON ITEMS
24 NO. 9 AND 10, A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT
25 THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ITEM 12, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS

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1 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECOND
5 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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7 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON PAGE 13, CONSENT
8 CALENDAR, ITEMS 13 THROUGH 41. ON ITEM NO. 14, MEMBERS OF THE
9 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 15,
10 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS
11 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 16, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT
12 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 18, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
13 SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY
14 21, 2015. ON ITEMS NO. 19 AND 20, A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE
15 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEMS NO. 21 AND
16 22, A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS
17 BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 29, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT
18 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 30, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
19 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 32, THE SHERIFF
20 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY 21,
21 2015. ON ITEM NO. 33, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT
22 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 35, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS
23 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO AUGUST 11, 2015. AND THE
24 REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SECOND
2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON PAGE 25, ORDINANCES FOR
5 INTRODUCTION, ITEM 42 IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION
6 AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 3, ADVISORY COMMISSIONS AND
7 COMMITTEES RELATING TO THE CREATION OF THE SMALL BUSINESS
8 COMMISSION. ON THIS ITEM, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT
9 IT BE HELD. ON ITEM 43, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION
10 AMENDING THE INDUSTRIAL GAS PIPELINE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO AIR
11 PRODUCTS AND CHEMICALS INC. TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE
12 FRANCHISE AND MAKE MINOR CHANGES, CLARIFYING CERTAIN
13 PROVISIONS IN THE ORDINANCE. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
16 THOMAS. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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18 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON PAGE 26, DISCUSSION ITEM,
19 ITEM 44, THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR HEARING. ON PAGE 27,
20 MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE
21 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE
22 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM 45-A IS BEFORE YOU.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SECOND
25 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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2 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON PAGE 30, NOTICES OF
3 CLOSED SESSION, ON ITEM NO. C.S.-2, THE INTERIM CHIEF
4 EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE
5 WEEK TO JULY 21, 2015. AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING. AGENDA.
6 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
7 DISTRICT NO. 5.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THIS IS THE MONTH WE ARE GOING TO BE
10 RECOGNIZING LOS ANGELES MOTOCROSS SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH, TO
11 BRING AWARENESS TO THE SPORT OF MOTOCROSS, AS MANY RIDERS ARE
12 INJURED EVERY YEAR WHILE RIDING. RIDERS NEED TO BE AWARE OF
13 THE UNSEEN DANGERS ASSOCIATED WITH MOTORCYCLE RIDING, WHICH IS
14 UNPREDICTABLE, BUT OFF ROAD RIDING TAKES THE UNKNOWN TO
15 ANOTHER LEVEL. WITH ROCKS, TREES, CHALLENGING TERRAIN AND
16 OBSTACLES, A TRAIL, A COURSE OR OTHER RIDERS CAN CHANGE IN A
17 MOMENT'S NOTICE. EVEN THE BEST RIDERS NEED TO BE VIGILANT, RE-
18 EVALUATE THEIR SAFETY PROGRAM OFTEN AND ALWAYS INSPECT SAFETY
19 EQUIPMENT EACH TIME THEY RIDE TO MAKE SAFETY ITS HIGHEST
20 PRIORITY. RIDERS NEED TO WEAR THE LATEST AND MOST ADVANCED
21 SAFETY EQUIPMENT, A FULL HELMET, GOGGLES AND OTHER PADS AND
22 FULL PROTECTION. RIDERS, ESPECIALLY BEGINNERS, SHOULD CONSIDER
23 A MOTOCROSS SAFETY COURSE BEFORE TAKING TO THE TRACK. FINALLY,
24 RIDERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CLOSELY OBSERVE CONDITIONS BEFORE
25 TAKING OFF FOR THE DAY. WE HAVE TWO FAMILIES WHO HAVE SADLY

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1 EXPERIENCED GREAT LOSS WITH THE TRAGIC DEATH OF THEIR LOVED
2 ONES WITH MOTOCROSS. THEY HAVE ALSO SHOWN A TREMENDOUS DESIRE
3 TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT MOTOCROSS SAFETY TO PREVENT FUTURE
4 TRAGEDY. WE ALSO HAVE AMANDA MOULTON, A JOURNALISM STUDENT AT
5 THE COLLEGE OF HE CANYONS IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WHO HAS
6 WRITTEN ABOUT THESE FAMILIES AND WORKS TO ENHANCE AWARENESS ON
7 THIS VITAL ISSUE. TODAY WE WANT TO COMMEND THEM FOR THEIR
8 EFFORTS AND PROCLAIM MOTOCROSS SAFETY MONTH IN THE COUNTY. I
9 WANT TO FIRST INTRODUCE KATHY AND PHILIP TARRANT WHOSE SON
10 DEREK WHO WAS TRAGICALLY KILLED. AND CARRIE AND TOM AQUINO AND
11 AMANDA MOULTON.

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13 **PHILIP TARRANT:** GOOD MORNING, FIRST OF ALL I'D LIKE TO THANK
14 MICHAEL ANTONOVICH, HIS STAFF, TONY AND ALLEN, FOR INVITING US
15 HERE AND ALLOWING MY FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO TRY TO SAY A FEW
16 WORDS REGARDING MOTOCROSS SAFETY. FOR SOME OF THE PEOPLE HERE
17 IN CHAMBERS AND THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT AREN'T
18 FAMILIAR WITH MOTOCROSS, IT'S BASICALLY AN OFF-ROAD ACTIVITY
19 WITH DIRT BIKES. YOU CAN RIDE THEM ALMOST ANYWHERE WHERE IT'S
20 LEGAL OFF ROAD. BUT TYPICALLY MOTOCROSS IS A STRUCTURED SPORT
21 INTO A TRACK ENVIRONMENT WHERE YOU EITHER PAY YOUR MONEY AS A
22 ONE-DAY EVENT TO JUST ENJOY RIDING OR IT'S A COMPETITIVE EVENT
23 LIKE A N.A.S.C.A.R., A RACE. AND WE JUST WOULD LIKE TO SEE
24 THAT SAFETY IS THE NUMBER ONE PRIORITY. OBVIOUSLY OUR TWO
25 FAMILIES HERE HAVE PAID THE ULTIMATE COST, ULTIMATE PRICE BY

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1 LOSING A LOVED ONE. AND WE DON'T WANT THAT TO HAPPEN TO OTHER
2 FAMILIES OR ANYONE ELSE WHO IS ENJOYING THIS SPORT. WE KNOW
3 THAT THIS IS A DANGEROUS SPORT. IT'S AN EXTREME SPORT. AND WE
4 TAKE IT UPON OURSELVES EVERY TIME WE RIDE A BIKE TO DO THE
5 BEST WE CAN FOR SAFETY AND WE'D LIKE TO SEE THE FACILITIES
6 THAT WE GO TO AND PAY MONEY AND DO BUSINESS IN LOS ANGELES
7 COUNTY, IN THE STATE, IN THIS COUNTRY, TO ALSO BE AWARE OF THE
8 SAFETY PROVISIONS THAT CAN BE BROUGHT INTO PLAY. AS YOU KNOW,
9 EVERY DAY HERE, YOU'RE TRYING TO MAKE IT BETTER. EVERY DAY THE
10 BOARD CONVENES, THEY'RE LOOKING TO BETTER THEIR LIVES, THE
11 LIVES OF THE PEOPLE IN L.A. AND CALIFORNIA AND THE COUNTRY. SO
12 WE THINK THINGS CAN BE BETTER, THINGS CAN BE DONE BETTER WITH
13 THESE FACILITIES AND WE'D LIKE TO SEE THAT HAPPEN. THANKS FOR
14 YOUR TIME. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **KATHY TARRANT:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS KATHY TARRANT AND I
17 WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR INVITING ME DOWN HERE. WE LOST OUR
18 SON CORY THREE YEARS AGO. HE WAS AN AMAZING RIDER, GOOD KID. I
19 AM HERE TO EXPRESS MY CONCERN ABOUT THE PRODUCTS THAT ARE
20 MARKETING IN THIS COUNTRY THAT MAY NOT HAVE THE PROPER TESTING.
21 THROUGH RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, WE BELIEVE THAT WE CAN MAKE
22 OUR SPORT SAFER; BUT WE NEED THE HELP OF OUR MANUFACTURERS. WE
23 BELIEVE THAT THERE SHOULD BE GUIDELINES PUT IN PLACE THAT ALL
24 PRODUCTS NEED TO ADHERE TO, TO BE SOLD IN THE UNITED STATES.
25 AND I WORK VERY HARD, MY FAMILY WORKS VERY HARD FOR THAT. WE

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1 ARE OWNERS OF A BUSINESS IN THE INDUSTRY. AND OUR JOB EVERY
2 DAY IS TO TRY AND EXPLAIN TO PEOPLE HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO DO
3 YOUR RESEARCH, PICK THE PROPER PRODUCTS THAT YOU WEAR, MAKE
4 SURE YOU HAVE PROPER FITMENT AND ENJOY THE SPORT IN THE
5 BEAUTIFUL OUTDOOR WEATHER THAT WE HAVE HERE IN CALIFORNIA.
6 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALSO TO DEREK? LET ME ALSO ASK AMANDA
9 THE JOURNALIST FROM THE COLLEGE WHO WROTE A NICE ARTICLE ON
10 THIS. AMANDA? JOURNALISM WITHOUT WORDS. ONLY ON PAPER. ANYWAY,
11 WE THANK HER FOR BRINGING THIS STORY TO THE PUBLIC BECAUSE
12 THROUGH THIS, THROUGH THE RESPONSIBLE MEDIA AND THE TRAGEDY
13 THAT OCCURRED, WE ARE ABLE TO EDUCATE OTHERS SO THAT TRAGEDY
14 WOULD NOT BE REPEATED IN FUTURE DAYS OR TIME.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TODAY IS GOING TO BE RECOGNIZING THE
17 LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT FOR PROBATION SERVICES
18 APPRECIATION WEEK. CHIEF JERRY POWERS, ALONG WITH MEN AND
19 WOMEN FROM THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT WHO SUPERVISE OVER 82,000
20 ADULTS AND 27,000 JUVENILE PROBATIONERS. THEY ARE COMMUNITY
21 CORRECTIONS PROFESSIONALS CHARGED WITH PROMOTING THE SAFETY OF
22 COUNTY RESIDENTS AND MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH OFFENDERS TO
23 ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THEIR PROBATION. THEY ALSO
24 WORK HARD TO PROVIDE OFFENDERS WITH REHABILITATIVE TREATMENT,
25 AFTER CARE SERVICES AND MENTORING TO PREPARE THEM FOR THEIR

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1 RE-ENTRY INTO THE COMMUNITIES. WITH US TODAY IS CHIEF POWERS
2 WITH HANS LEON, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT OF L.A. COUNTY DEPUTY
3 PROBATION OFFICERS UNION LOCAL 685. AND I ALSO WANT TO COMMEND
4 THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT'S DISARM UNIT WHICH SINCE THE EARLY
5 2000 HAVE REMOVED OVER 10,000 GUNS, FIREARMS, FROM THOSE WHO
6 WERE ILLEGALLY POSSESSING ARMS WHO WERE ON PROBATION IN
7 VIOLATION OF THEIR TERMS OF PROBATION. AND THOSE MEN AND WOMEN
8 DO AN INCREDIBLE JOB, AS WELL, RISKING THEIR LIVES TO PROTECT
9 THE PUBLIC BY TAKING AWAY THOSE GUNS FROM THOSE WHO HAVE
10 BROKEN THE LAW AND ARE IN VIOLATION OF THE LAW BY HAVING THESE
11 GUNS IN THEIR HOME. SO AT THIS TIME, CHIEF POWERS, LET ME GIVE
12 YOU THIS PROCLAMATION.

13

14 **JERRY POWERS:** MAYOR ANTONOVICH, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I
15 CERTAINLY WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THIS RECOGNITION. WE DO THIS
16 ANNUALLY THIS WEEK EVERY YEAR. WE APPRECIATE THE WEEK. BUT,
17 FRANKLY, THESE FOLKS DESERVE RECOGNITION EVERY DAY OF THE
18 YEAR. THEY DO A WONDERFUL JOB FOR THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES
19 COUNTY. THEY WORK WITH SOME OF OUR MOST DIFFICULT CITIZENS WHO
20 ARE IN CRISIS. THEY ARE OFFENDERS, THEY ARE VICTIMS. THEY ARE
21 YOUR HUSBANDS, THEY ARE YOUR WIVES, THEY ARE YOUR CHILDREN,
22 AND THEY WORK WITH THEM EVERY DAY, SOMETIMES IN CIRCUMSTANCES
23 THAT ARE DANGEROUS, LESS THAN APPEALING. THEY CERTAINLY DON'T
24 DO IT FOR THE MONEY. THEY'RE COMMITTED TO THIS PROFESSION AND
25 THEY DO A WONDERFUL JOB TO MAKE THIS COMMUNITY SAFE. I'M PROUD

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1 TO BE THEIR CHIEF. WE HAVE A FEW OF THEM HERE. AND I'M GOING
2 TO RECOGNIZE EACH OF THEM VERY QUICKLY BY READING THEIR NAMES.
3 HOPEFULLY I CAN READ MY PHONE HERE. WE HAVE FOOTBALL COACHES
4 FROM OUR CAMPS, FROM ONE OF OUR CAMPS. WE HAVE PROBATION
5 OFFICERS. WE HAVE DETENTION SERVICES OFFICERS. WE HAVE
6 CLERICAL STAFF HERE. AND IT TRULY IS A TEAM. WE COULDN'T DO
7 THIS WITHOUT EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS AND ALL
8 OF THEIR PEERS THAT ARE IN THE DEPARTMENT. WE HAVE ABOUT 6,000
9 EMPLOYEES IN THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. AND EACH AND EVERY ONE
10 OF THEM COMES TO WORK EVERY DAY AND DOES ONE OF THE MOST
11 DIFFICULT JOBS THAT WE CAN ASK OF THEM. SO I WANT TO QUICKLY
12 RUN THROUGH-- WE HAVE OUR EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH FOR THE LAST
13 YEAR. AND AS I SAY YOUR NAME, IF YOU WOULD RAISE YOUR HAND SO
14 THAT YOU CAN BE RECOGNIZED. WE HAVE D.P.O.2 THEODORE GOMEZ.
15 D.P.O.2 TIFFANY TAYLOR. D.P.O.2 ALVA GEORGE. D.P.O.2 DANA
16 LEWIS ROGERS. D.P.O.2 DOLORES GREHALVA. INVESTIGATOR-- I'M
17 GOING TO MESS THIS UP-- MICHELENE STEVENSON, I'M SORRY. I HOPE
18 I GOT THAT RIGHT. D.P.O.2, YOU GUYS ARE TESTING ME, SHANIKLA
19 WHALEY WESTREY. SUPERVISING D.P.O. DONALD OWENS. MANAGEMENT
20 SECRETARY III, ZUEMA ARZIAGA. [APPLAUSE.] AND OUR MUSTANG
21 FOOTBALL COACHES AT CAMP SMITH. D.P.O. DEREK AYERS. D.P.O.
22 JAMIL BARNETT. D.P.O. ANIS DAVIS. D.P.O. ANTHONY GONZALEZ.
23 D.P.O. NIKOSI LITTLETON. AND D.P.O. MICHAEL VALDEZ. WE ALSO
24 HAVE FROM OUR DETENTION SERVICES BUREAU D.S.O. MICHELLE NEIL
25 FROM BARRY J. NIDORF. D.S.O. MONICA POZOS FROM CENTRAL

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1 JUVENILE HALL. AND SUPERVISING D.S.O. GEORGE MAYHORN FROM LOS
2 PADRINOS. AND D.S.O. JULIA WILTON FROM CENTRAL JUVENILE HALL.
3 LASTLY, I'D LIKE TO SAY A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT WE'VE BEEN
4 DOING THIS SUMMER AT OUR CAMPS. JUST TO KIND OF GIVE YOU A
5 FLAVOR OF WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND
6 WHAT THESE FOLKS ARE DOING. WE HAVE SOMETHING CALLED FREEDOM
7 SCHOOLS GOING ON IN OUR CAMPS. WE WERE THE FIRST AND WE ARE
8 THE LARGEST PROBATION DEPARTMENT IN THE COUNTRY TO DO FREEDOM
9 SCHOOLS. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS IS THE SPONSOR AND OUR
10 BENEFACTOR IN HELPING US TO GET FREEDOM SCHOOLS TO OUR CAMPS.
11 AND IT IS AN INSPIRING EFFORT IN CONJUNCTION WITH L.A.C.O.E.
12 AND THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS AND
13 OUR KIDS. BUT I'LL TELL YOU: WE HAVE A VIDEO ON OUR WEBSITE IF
14 YOU'D LIKE TO SEE WHAT FREEDOM SCHOOLS DOES FOR OUR KIDS AND
15 HOW OUR STAFF WORK. YOU'D BE INSPIRED IF YOU WATCH THAT VIDEO.
16 SO I JUST WANTED TO MENTION THAT, AS WELL. IT'S TRULY PART OF
17 THE REFORM THAT THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT IS GOING THROUGH. SO
18 THANK YOU ALL. THANK YOU TO THE BOARD. BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY
19 THANK YOU TO THE STAFF. WE COULDN'T DO THIS WITHOUT YOU, AND
20 YOU GUYS MAKE ME PROUD EVERY DAY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO, JUST RETURNED FROM BALI
23 AND CHINA, THE MAYOR OF MONTEREY PARK AND A MEMBER OF THE
24 PROBATION DEPARTMENT, MAYOR HANS LEON.

25

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1 **HANS LEON:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. MY NAME IS HANS
2 LEON. I SERVE AS THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK BUT I
3 ALSO SERVE AS THE FIRST VICE PRESIDENT FOR A.F.S.C.M.E. LOCAL
4 685, WHICH IS THE L.A. COUNTY DEPUTY PROBATIONERS' COUNTY
5 UNION AND ON BEHALF OF LOCAL 685, I'D LIKE TO CONGRATULATE ALL
6 THE RECIPIENTS TODAY AND COMMEND THEM ON ALL THEIR HARD WORK.
7 AND OBVIOUSLY IT'S FORTUNATE THAT WE ARE RECOGNIZING PROBATION
8 SERVICES APPRECIATION WEEK TODAY OR THIS WEEK. AND I THINK
9 IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE TAKE THE TIME TO RECOGNIZE THE
10 EFFORTS OF THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE DEDICATED AND COMMITTED TO
11 YOUR JOBS WHETHER IT BE WORKING IN THE FIELD, WORKING IN THE
12 INSTITUTIONS, WORKING WITH KIDS, WORKING WITH ADULTS. IT'S
13 REALLY YOUR EFFORTS THAT HELP TO MOVE THINGS FORWARD AND HELP
14 TO ACTUALLY CONTRIBUTE TO MAKING SOCIETY A BETTER PLACE. NOW,
15 WHILE WE DO HAVE ALL OF OUR STAFF UP HERE, I WOULD LIKE TO
16 ALSO-- I NOTICE IN THE AUDIENCE WE HAVE A LOT OF OUR MANAGERS
17 HERE THAT HAVE COME TO SUPPORT THEIR STAFF. SO IF WE COULD
18 HAVE THEM STAND UP REALLY QUICK, THE MANAGERS FOR PROBATION,
19 SO WE CAN GIVE YOU A ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR YOUR DIRECTION.
20 [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU. ONCE AGAIN, JUST TO KEEP THINGS SHORT,
21 THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR MEMBERS HERE FOR ALL THAT YOU DO. AND
22 I THINK THIS IS REALLY QUITE AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT OUR DEPARTMENT
23 STRIVES FOR. AND I THINK THAT YOU ARE ALL FINE EXAMPLES OF
24 THAT. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
25 ANTONOVICH. AND THANK YOU, CHIEF POWERS.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE WILL DO A GROUP PICTURE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW, MONTH OF JULY IS ALSO NATIONAL
5 PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH. AND WE HAVE EVIDENCE THAT PEOPLE
6 WHO HAVE ACCESS TO PARKS EXERCISE REGULARLY WILL REDUCE THEIR
7 RISK OF DISEASES SUCH AS HEART DISEASE, HYPERTENSION, COLON
8 CANCER, DIABETES. BEYOND THE BENEFITS OF EXERCISE AND EATING
9 YOUR VEGETABLES, GROWING BODY OF RESEARCH SHOWS THAT CONTACT
10 WITH THE NATURAL WORLD IMPROVES THE PHYSICAL AND THE
11 PSYCHOLOGICAL HEALTH. OUR DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
12 MAINTAIN AND PROTECTS OVER 177 PARKS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY,
13 INCLUDING COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL PARKS, NATURE CENTERS,
14 WILDLIFE SANCTUARIES, HUNDREDS OF MILES OF RECREATION TRAILS
15 FOR EQUESTRIAN RIDERS, HIKERS AND BIKERS. AND THE DEPARTMENT
16 ALSO OFFERS MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR
17 PERSONS OF ALL AGES AND ABILITY. AND RUSS GUINEY, WHO IS OUR
18 DIRECTOR, IS HERE THIS MORNING IS GOING TO RECEIVE THIS
19 PROCLAMATION. RUSS?

20

21 **RUSS GUINEY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. BEFORE US, WE
22 HAVE THE PEOPLE THAT ACTUALLY DO THE WORK IN THE PARKS AND I
23 APPRECIATE WHAT THEY DO EVERY DAY, FROM TAKING CARE OF OUR
24 GROUNDS AND MAKING SURE THEY'RE CLEAN, TO MANAGING OUR
25 PROGRAMS, PROTECTING OUR KIDS AT OUR SWIMMING POOLS, OUR GOLF

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1 PROGRAM, OUR RECREATION PROGRAMS, OUR NATURE CENTERS, OUR
2 TRAILS, OUR PLANNING AND FORESIGHT AND LOOKING AHEAD. ANSLEY
3 DAVIS CURATED THE GREAT PHOTO EXHIBIT THAT YOU'LL SEE ON THE
4 SECOND FLOOR, SO IF YOU HAVEN'T GONE BY THERE, TAKE A LOOK. WE
5 HAVE A LOT OF THEN AND NOW PICTURES OF OUR PARKS FROM WHAT
6 THINGS LOOKED LIKE AS LONG AS 100 YEARS AGO UP UNTIL TODAY. SO
7 PLEASE TAKE A LOOK AT THAT. YOUR PARK AND RECREATION
8 DEPARTMENT PROVIDES MANY FREE PROGRAMS AS SUPERVISOR MAYOR
9 ANTONOVICH SAID. AND THIS REALLY HELPS OUR COMMUNITY. IT HELPS
10 US IN MANY WAYS TO IMPROVE SAFETY, IMPROVE HEALTH AND TO
11 BETTER OUR COMMUNITY. AND WE PARTNER WITH PRACTICALLY EVERY
12 COUNTY AGENCY OUT HERE. WE HAVE PROBATION OFFICERS THAT ARE IN
13 OUR PARKS THAT HELP OUR KIDS. WE HAVE OUR SHERIFF'S PARKS'
14 BUREAU THAT NOT ONLY ENFORCES THE LAW BUT PARTICIPATES IN
15 PROGRAMS WITH OUR KIDS. WE HAVE PUBLIC WORKS THAT BUILDS OUR
16 FACILITIES FOR US. WE HAVE PUBLIC DEFENDER THAT COMES IN ON
17 OUR PARKS AFTER DARK PROGRAM, ALONG WITH PUBLIC SOCIAL
18 SERVICES, CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES; AND EVERY DEPARTMENT
19 OUT THERE COMES TO OUR PARK TO HELP DELIVER SERVICES TO OUR
20 PEOPLE. CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS WITH PROGRAMS FOR
21 SENIORS. SO YOUR PARKS ARE REALLY SERVICE DELIVERY POINTS FOR
22 EVERY COUNTY SERVICE THAT'S OUT THERE. OUR STAFF HELPS MAKE
23 THAT HAPPEN. AND WE'RE VERY GRATEFUL AND APPRECIATIVE THAT
24 YOU'RE PROCLAIMING JULY AS PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH. SO
25 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IF ANYBODY WANTS TO SEE WHAT A
3 MOUNTAIN LION LOOKS LIKE, LIFE SIZE, REAL MOUNTAIN LION THAT'S
4 STUFFED IN THE PLACERITA NATURE CENTER, GO OUT AND SEE IT. IT
5 IS A LION, NOT THE LITTLE BABY LION, BUT IT'S FULL SIZE. SO
6 WHEN YOU HEAR THESE COMMENTS ON THE NEWS, THERE'S A MOUNTAIN
7 LION LOOSE, WHATEVER, THEY ARE IN OUR COMMUNITY, JUST AS WE
8 ARE IN THEIR COMMUNITY, BECAUSE I HAD A NEIGHBOR WHO LOST
9 THEIR DOG BECAUSE OF A MOUNTAIN LION ABOUT FOUR DOORS FROM
10 WHERE I LIVE, AND THAT'S IN THE GLENDALE AREA. SO ANYWAY, IT
11 IS A GREAT EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES. PLUS THE PARKS AND REC HAVE
12 PROGRAMS FOR VERY YOUNG CHILDREN DURING THE DANCE PROGRAMS AND
13 OTHERS AND THE RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG AND OLD.
14 WE'VE TAKEN AREAS THAT HAD SOME CRIME PROBLEMS, PUTTING IN THE
15 NEW GYMNASIUM, ET CETERA, OPERATED BY THE PARKS AND REC., AND
16 THEY BECOME COMMUNITY CENTERS, FAMILY CENTERS. WE CHANGE
17 NEIGHBORHOODS OVERNIGHT. AND IT'S THE DEDICATION OF THESE MEN
18 AND WOMEN IN THE PARKS AND REC WHO ARE THERE AND HELPING AND
19 NOW WE JUST WANT TO RECOGNIZE THEM FOR THE MONTH OF JULY. BUT
20 THEY SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED 12 MONTHS OUT OF THE YEAR NOT JUST
21 ONE MONTH OUT OF THE YEAR. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE HAVE LITTLE GEORGEY WHO IS FIVE
24 MONTHS OLD, PEKINESE. ALONG WITH HAVING PARKS AND RECREATION,
25 HAVING A NICE LITTLE DOG OR CAT IN YOUR HOME IS ALSO

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1 WONDERFUL. ALSO GOOD FOR HYPERTENSION COLON CANCER REDUCTIONS,
2 DIABETES AND ALL BECAUSE LITTLE DOGS HELP YOU TO EXERCISE,
3 GIVE YOU SOMETHING TO LOOK FORWARD TO IN THE MORNING. LOOK
4 HERE, GEORGEY. LOOK IT. LOOK AT SACHI. LISTEN TO THE LADY
5 WHISTLE. OH NO, GOT TO WAIT. LITTLE GEORGEY IS LOOKING FOR A
6 HOME. HE WANTS TO RUN TO IT RIGHT AWAY BUT DOESN'T KNOW WHERE
7 THE HOME IS. YOU CAN CALL 562-256-1649. DO YOU SEE ANYBODY OUT
8 THERE? HE'S LOOKING REAL HARD BECAUSE HE KNOWS THE
9 ALTERNATIVE. THAT'S WHY HE WANTS A LITTLE HOME. I KNOW. THAT'S
10 WHY WE WANT LITTLE GEORGEY TO HAVE A LONG LIFE OF HAPPINESS.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ITEM 2-D, 4, 20, MR. ROBERT LUCAS.
13 ITEMS 1, 16, 19, 20, 42, DR. CLAVREUL. ITEM 1-P, 9, 14, 16,
14 22, 33, 42, MR. ERIC PREVEN. ITEM NO. 29, KELLY GARDNER. GOOD
15 MORNING, MR. LUCAS.

16

17 **ROBERT LUCAS:** YOU KNOW, THIS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ISSUE, I CAN
18 SHARE SOME EXPERIENCE WHEN I WAS A KID BECAUSE BACK IN THAT
19 DAY, IT WASN'T QUITE AS OUT FRONT AS IT IS TODAY. AND I CAN'T
20 TELL YOU HOW IMPORTANT IT IS BECAUSE I WITNESSED SOMETHING
21 ALONG THIS LINES THROUGH THE WEEKEND. AND I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW
22 INFURIATING IT IS TO SEE A FULL- GROWN MAN VERBALLY AND
23 EMOTIONALLY ABUSE A WOMAN IN PUBLIC. NOT TO MENTION WHAT GOES
24 ON BEHIND CLOSED DOORS. AND FOR ME AS A GROWN MAN WHO HAS BEEN
25 THROUGH SIMILAR ABUSE FROM A PARENT, I CAN'T NOT DO SOMETHING

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1 WHEN I SEE IT OR I FEEL IT. THIS TO ME IS NOT THE DEFINITION
2 OF WHAT A MAN SHOULD DO OR BE. IT'S ONE OF THE MOST HORRENDOUS
3 EXPERIENCES TO LISTEN TO A WOMAN BE ABUSED TO THE POINT OF
4 SUBMISSION, TO BE RESTRICTED FROM BEING WHO THEY ARE, TO BE
5 AFRAID. THIS IS NOT WHAT WE DO. SO ANYTHING THAT CAN BE DONE
6 TO FURTHER SUPPORT FOR THESE WOMEN THAT FIND THE COURAGE TO
7 STEP UP AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND RID THEMSELVES OF THE
8 TWISTED LOVE IN THEIR LIFE THAT THEY CONTINUE TO MAKE OKAY FOR
9 WHATEVER DEPENDENCE OF SUPPORT, THEIR CHILDREN. SOMETIMES SOME
10 OF THE HARDEST DECISIONS REQUIRE THE MOST STRUGGLE. SO,
11 PLEASE, DO WHAT CAN BE DONE FOR THIS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.
12 SITTING THROUGH SOME OF THESE THERAPEUTIC GROUPS WITH SOME OF
13 THESE SUBSTANCE ABUSE WOMEN, I CAN'T HELP BUT FEEL SUCH A
14 DEGREE OF COMPASSION THAT IT'S INFURIATING. AND THE FACT THAT
15 THE PEOPLE WHO CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE ARE SITTING AROUND THIS
16 CIRCLE. AND THIS IS NOT SOMETHING THAT YOU ARE NOT AWARE OF.
17 THE WORK THAT I'VE LISTENED TO YOU, ALL OF YOU, ADDRESS OVER
18 THE LAST EIGHT MONTHS. MY HEART IS FILLED WITH HEADING IN THE
19 RIGHT DIRECTION, THE CARE AND CONCERN FOR ALL OF THE
20 CONSTITUENTS. AND I KNOW WHAT KIND OF AN OVERWHELMING JOB THIS
21 IS BECAUSE IT'S TRULY HARD TO HELP PEOPLE WHO DON'T EVEN SEE
22 OR UNDERSTAND THAT THEY NEED IT. AND THEY'RE SO ASHAMED AND
23 GUILT-RIDDEN THAT THEY'RE AFRAID TO SPEAK OUT. IT TAKES SOME
24 EXPERIENCED PEOPLE TO BE ABLE TO RECOGNIZE AND REACH OUT.
25

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** GREETINGS. ITS ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT
2 FROM DISTRICT 3. IT IS A SMALL AGENDA. THANK YOU. ITEM NO. 33
3 IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO RE-UP WITH A GROUP CALLED XEROX
4 SOLUTIONS. THE PROBLEM IS THE R.F.P. PROCESS FOR THIS CITATION
5 CONTRACT RESULTED IN THREE VENDORS SHOWING UP, ONE PROPOSAL
6 FROM THE GROUP WHO WON. NOW, IN 2015 AS WE ALL KNOW, THE
7 SILICON VALLEY IS A VIBRANT COMMUNITY. WE EVEN HAVE SUCH A
8 THING HAPPENING IN OUR LOCAL MARKET. A CITATION CONTRACT WITH
9 SO MUCH AT STAKE SHOULD BE VETTED PROPERLY. AT THE VERY LEAST
10 WE WOULD LOWER THE COST WITH XEROX BY HAVING SOME COMPETITIVE
11 BIDDING. I THINK THAT THE BOARD SHOULD TAKE A MONTH-TO-MONTH
12 APPROACH WITH THIS PARTICULAR CONTRACT WHILE WE SEE IF IN
13 FACT-- AND I HAVE SOME VERY SPECIFIC NOTES, ALSO. THIS GROUP
14 IS TRICKY. THEY GIVE YOU THE FEELING THAT THEY'RE EASING
15 TRAFFIC CONCERNS. AND WHAT THEY'RE DOING IS THEY'RE PINGING
16 YOU WITH THE \$63 UPCHARGE ON TOP OF THE FIRST \$63 UPCHARGE. SO
17 YOU IMMEDIATELY GET A DOUBLE. AND IF YOU QUESTION IT, THEY PUT
18 A D.M.V. HOLD. AND HERE'S THE PART, COUNSEL, PAY ATTENTION TO
19 THIS, WHAT THEY DO, BELIEVE IT OR NOT, IS THEY PUSH YOU INTO A
20 SPECIAL COLLECTION FEE AREA, NOW A SPECIAL COLLECTION FEE
21 INVOLVES THE LEVYING D.M.V. HOLD AGAINST-- NOW IF YOU'RE A
22 PERSON THAT'S JUST TRYING TO GET BY AND EXCEEDED A METER,
23 BELIEVE ME, JUMPING UP SO HIGH, MAYOR GARCETTI ASKED THEM TO
24 LOOK AT A MORE FRIENDLY APPROACH AND THEY HAVE NOT RESPONDED.
25 AND IT'S WORTH NOTING, MITCH ENGLANDER IS A BIG CHAMPION OF

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1 THIS GROUP AND MITCH ENGLANDER, FOR THE RECORD, IS THE NEPHEW
2 OF, I BELIEVE IT'S HARVEY ENGLANDER, OF ENGLANDER KNABE AND
3 ALLEN. SO THERE YOU GO. WE HAD A PROBLEM WITH THIS KIND OF
4 R.F.P. THING ON ENTERPRISE SOME YEARS AGO, SO PLEASE DO LOOK
5 INTO IT. ITEM 32 THANK YOU TO THE JOHN D. AND CATHERINE T.
6 MACARTHUR FOUNDATION. THIS IS A UPSCALE, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
7 THOMAS, OPERATION. THIS GROUP IS GOING TO BE PROVIDING 150
8 GRAND, AND IF YOU READ THEIR ITEM 32 TODAY, THEY'VE GOT THE
9 WHOLE THING FIGURED OUT. THEY BASICALLY, IT IS A PROGRAM TO
10 RELEASE OURSELVES FROM THIS KIND OF CLUTCH OF
11 OVERINCARCERATION. SO I WOULD STRONGLY, A, COMMEND THE BOARD
12 TO TAKE ACTION AND EXPAND ON THAT \$150,000. ITEM, I GUESS, NO.
13 14 IS THE MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, WE LANDED A GREAT ONE. I
14 DON'T REMEMBER HER NAME. LORI BETTISON-VARGA. SHE WAS AT THE
15 KECK FOUNDATION. AND SHE'S A BIG FUNDRAISER. SHE COULD DO A
16 GREAT JOB. WE ARE GIVING HER A SUPPLEMENTAL SALARY. JUST LIKE
17 WITH DAWN MCDIVOTT, WE OUGHT TO MAKE THAT CLEAR, NOT JUST
18 REFER TO IT, BUT MAKE IT CLEAR WHAT IT IS. SO IT'S 158. WITH
19 DAWN MCDIVOTT, IT WAS SOMETHING LIKE 75. IT WAS INAPPROPRIATE.
20 THIS IS A BIG FUNDRAISER, DID A LOT OF BUSINESS FOR THE
21 COUNTY. ITEM 16 IS THE SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION. THIS BUMPS
22 ME BECAUSE IT'S 20 MEMBERS FIRST OF ALL. AND IF YOU MISS 3 OUT
23 OF 4 OF THE ANNUAL MEETINGS NO PROBLEM. WE'RE WAIVING THE
24 LITTLE RULE THAT IF YOU MISS 3 OUT OF 4, YOU'RE OUT. I WOULD
25 SAY, ONCE AGAIN, BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD ON THIS ONE. WE ARE

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1 IN THE RIGHT AREA BUT THAT IS NOT A GOOD PROGRAM. AND 20 IS
2 WAY TOO MANY. ITEM NO. 22 IS BEACHES AND HARBORS ARE DOING
3 SOME SLIP MOVING AROUND. WHENEVER WE RELOCATE SLIPS,
4 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, I DO LIKE TO BE CLEAR THAT THE
5 PROJECT-- OKAY. YOU WERE DONE FOR NOW. THANKS.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DAVID
8 KRAUSE-LEEMON AND ARNOLD SACHS. DOCTOR?

9

10 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
11 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM 1, WHICH IS ACTUALLY RELATED
12 TO ITEM 15, I AM VERY CONCERNED WHEN I SEE YOU ALWAYS WAIVE
13 THE LENGTH OF DUTY FOR COMMISSIONS. I MEAN, WE HAVE SOME
14 COMMISSIONERS WHO WERE APPOINTED UNDER BURKE. I MEAN, THAT'S
15 ASININE. I MEAN WE ARE A COUNTY OF 10 MILLION PEOPLE. TO TELL
16 ME YOU CANNOT HAVE NEW COMMISSIONERS AFTER ALMOST 20 YEARS IS
17 ABSURD. AND RIGHT NOW SUPERVISOR SOLIS APPOINTED BARBARA
18 SIEGEL, I DON'T KNOW HER. I JUST FEEL THAT TOO MANY ATTORNEYS
19 ARE PUT ON THOSE COMMISSIONS, ESPECIALLY ON COMMISSIONS OF A
20 HOSPITAL. IT WOULD BE NICE IF YOU HAVE PEOPLE WHO ARE PART OF
21 THE TRADE AND ACTUALLY PROVIDE CARE. ALSO, THAT PERSON ALREADY
22 BELONG TO A COMMISSION ON PUBLIC HEALTH. AGAIN, I THINK WE
23 SHOULD BE A LITTLE MORE SELECTIVE IN WHOM WE SELECT. I KNOW
24 BOTH YOU AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL HAVE BEEN WONDERFUL ABOUT
25 APPOINTING PEOPLE VERY QUICKLY. BUT I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO

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1 LOOK AT THOSE SPECIFIC ISSUES. AND THE OTHER ITEM I HAVE HELD
2 HAS ALSO BEEN HELD BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL OR SOLIS AND I WOULD
3 LIKE TO SPEAK ABOUT THAT AT ANOTHER TIME. ALSO, YOU KNOW, IT'S
4 REALLY BAD WHEN PEOPLE OF THE PUBLIC ARE TESTIFYING. I KNOW WE
5 ARE NOT THE BIG NAMES AROUND AND SO ON. IT WOULD BE NICE THAT
6 PEOPLE LISTEN WHEN THE PUBLIC SPEAKS. ME, I DON'T CARE IF YOU
7 LISTEN OR NOT BECAUSE I KNOW WHAT I'M SAYING. AND WE ARE NOT
8 THE ONES THAT ARE LOSING. BUT IT'S HAPPENING TOO OFTEN AND I
9 THINK IT'S AGAINST THE RULE TO HAVE PEOPLE TEXT ON THEIR
10 PRIVATE PHONE DURING MEETINGS. SO I WANT YOU TO APPRECIATE THE
11 WONDERFUL PICTURE OF SACHI HAMAI USING A PHONE TO TEXT DURING
12 MEETINGS. THANK YOU. YOU'RE WELCOME.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

15

16 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** MAYBE YOU WILL HAVE MORE TIME TO
17 RESPOND TO MY FREEDOM--

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM?

20

21 **KELLY GARDNER:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
22 KELLY GARDENER. AND I'M FROM THE RAYMOND BASIN MANAGEMENT
23 BOARD AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF ITEM 29. THE RAYMOND BASIN
24 MANAGEMENT BOARD IS A FINANCIAL PARTNER IN THIS PROJECT AND WE
25 REPRESENT 17 GROUND WATER PRODUCERS OVERLYING THE ENTIRE

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1 RAYMOND BASIN. THE BOARD SUPPORTS THIS PROJECT, SCOPE AND
2 BENEFITS. SEISMIC REINFORCEMENT IS CRITICAL IN SOUTHERN
3 CALIFORNIA, AND THIS WORK WILL NOT ONLY STRENGTHEN STRUCTURAL
4 STABILITY BUT WILL ALSO INCREASE THE DAM'S ABILITY TO CAPTURE
5 MORE STORM WATER FOR USE IN MUCH NEEDED GROUND WATER RECHARGE
6 OPERATIONS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

9

10 **DAVID KRAUSE-LEEMON:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY
11 NAME IS DAVID KRAUSE-LEEMON AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF
12 ALL STATE FINANCIAL GROUP IN SUPPORT OF ITEM NO. 10. I'LL BE
13 VERY BRIEF. ITEM NO. 10 IS A PETITION TO RESCIND A TAX SALE.
14 UNFORTUNATELY IN THIS INSTANCE, A MISTAKE WAS MADE BY THE
15 COUNTY WHEN IT SENT OUT NOTICES FOR THE TAX SALE. REVENUE AND
16 TAXATION CODE IS QUITE CLEAR THAT UNLESS ALL PARTIES IN
17 INTEREST RECEIVE NOTICE, THE TAX SALE SHOULD BE RESCINDED. THE
18 HEARING OFFICER HAD A HEARING, CONSIDERED THE EVIDENCE,
19 DECIDED THAT A MISTAKE HAD INDEED BEEN MADE AND THAT THE TAX
20 SALE SHOULD BE RESCINDED. THEY'VE MADE THAT RECOMMENDATION TO
21 YOU AND I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT IT. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS.

24

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS.
2 AND I DID HOLD SEVERAL ITEMS. I HELD 2 AND 12 AND SOMEWHAT THE
3 METRO SALES TAX ADDRESSED ON THE AGENDA ITEM. AND THE BOARD,
4 THE GOVERNING BOARD THAT THE BOARD SITS ON. YOU KNOW, YOU
5 THINK THERE WOULD BE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST. I JUST HEARD LIKE
6 LAST WEEK WHEN YOU APPROVED THE SHERIFF'S CONTRACT FOR METRO
7 AND THEN YOU WENT TO THE BOARD MEETING AND VOTED ON THE SAME
8 CONTRACT. I'M THINKING ABOUT THE SALES TAX WHERE YOU HAVE THE
9 SAME RESULTS AS YOU DID WITH MEASURE R, THE SAME FANTASTIC
10 GUESSING, LIKE THE \$40 BILLION THAT MEASURE R IS SUPPOSED TO
11 GENERATE EVEN THOUGH WHEN IT WAS FIRST CONSIDERED, YOUR
12 GENERATION OF SALES TAX REVENUE FOR PROP A AND C IS BARELY
13 \$700 MILLION AND THE \$40 MILLION WOULD COME TO ABOUT \$1.3
14 BILLION A YEAR. SO YOU WERE ALMOST DOUBLING YOUR SALES TAX
15 REVENUE AND MUST HAVE BEEN THAT FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY. AND THE
16 GOVERNING BOARDS, AGAIN, YOU DO STUFF LIKE YOU HAVE THAT ONE
17 ITEM. AND I KNOW IT GETS REDUNDANT, BUT, STILL, YOU NEVER
18 ANSWERED THE QUESTIONS, AND IT WOULD BE SO EASY TO JUST ANSWER
19 THE QUESTIONS. YOU HAVE THE GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY.
20 YOU HAVE THE GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY TRUST COMPANY.
21 AND THEN YOU HAVE THE BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY THAT
22 GOT THE MONEY FROM METRO. AND THEY'RE ALL DIFFERENT, YET
23 THEY'RE ALL THE SAME. FIGURE THAT ONE OUT. AND I'M GLAD TO
24 HEAR THAT YOUR SALARY CLASSIFICATION, YOU SETTLED ON AN R-13.
25 JUST KEEP IN MIND THAT THOSE ARE CLASSIFICATIONS. AND EVERY

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1 TIME YOU SEE THAT ON THE BOARD AGENDA EVERY YEAR, THREE OR
2 FOUR TIMES A YEAR, THAT MEANS THOSE POSITIONS GET
3 RECLASSIFIED, WHICH IS A BUMP IN SALARY. NOT A PAY INCREASE.
4 NOT A SALARY, NEGOTIATED SALARY INCREASE, BUT A POSITION
5 INCREASE, WHICH INCLUDES A SALARY BUMP. BUT THAT'S AGAIN THAT
6 FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY. AND THE SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION. I
7 WONDER, MISS SOLIS, ARE YOU GOING TO SET A THRESHOLD FOR THE
8 SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION? YOU TALK SO MUCH ABOUT GOING FROM 3
9 PERCENT TO 25 PERCENT. SO WHEN DO YOU EXPECT TO DOUBLE FROM 3
10 PERCENT TO 6 PERCENT AND FROM 6 PERCENT TO 12 PERCENT AND FROM
11 12 PERCENT TO 24 PERCENT? I MEAN, YOU SET THRESHOLDS ON THE
12 ROAD TO \$15, YOU KNOW THAT PATH TO 15 THAT WE HEARD ABOUT, THE
13 FULL OF CRAP BLOCKADE OR DETOUR, JUST WONDERING: IS THIS
14 ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE PIE IN THE SKY ITEMS FROM THE BOARD? THE
15 WATERWORKS DISTRICTS, WHEN WE GET INTO A LITTLE DISCUSSION ON
16 THE NEXT ADJUSTMENT FOR WATER USAGE AND HOW WE'RE GOING TO GO
17 FROM AVERAGE USAGE FOR COMMUNITIES TO INDIVIDUAL USES FOR HOME
18 SO YOU DON'T HAVE THE SAME PROBLEM, THE SAME PEOPLE, HAVE THE
19 SAME WEIGHT FALL ON THEIR SHOULDERS LIKE THEY DID THE LAST
20 TIME, I'M OUT OF TIME, THAT'S TOO BAD.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR
23 SOLIS. EXCUSE ME.

24

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1 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** THOSE ITEMS THAT ARE BEFORE
2 YOU 2-D, 1-P, 1, 2, 4, 9, 10, 12, 14, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 29,
3 30, 33 AND 42.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SOLIS. SECOND WITHOUT
6 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

7

8 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS IS
11 HOLDING ITEM 6. SO SUPERVISOR THOMAS. DR. CLAVREUL AND ARNOLD
12 SACHS.

13

14 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.
15 YOU KNOW, IT IS ABOUT TIME THAT YOU ARE LOOKING AT INFORMATION
16 TECHNOLOGY AND SECURITY POLICY. FOR THE LAST ALMOST 10 YEARS,
17 I HAVE BROUGHT THAT ISSUE TO THE BOARD. THE NUMEROUS CONTRACTS
18 WE ARE BUYING OUT THE LACK OF SUPERVISION, THE LACK OF
19 KNOWLEDGE OF THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY IS OUTRAGEOUS. I THINK
20 IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU REALLY AUDIT EVERY DEPARTMENT WILL RECEIVE
21 ANYTHING HAVING TO DO WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. I'M SURE
22 YOU WILL BE VERY SURPRISED TO SEE THE DUPLICATION OF SO MANY
23 OF THE SOFTWARE, THE HARDWARE, ET CETERA. LAST WEEK ALONE,
24 WHEN I WAS COMING IN, I SAW PROBABLY OVER 20 COPIERS WALKING
25 OUT OF THAT WONDERFUL BUILDING. I DON'T KNOW WHERE THEY WERE

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1 GOING. I DON'T KNOW WHERE THEY WERE COMING FROM. BUT THEY WERE
2 LEAVING. I THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME THAT WHEN AN EMPLOYEE LEAVES
3 A DEPARTMENT OR EVEN GET TRANSFERRED FROM ONE DEPARTMENT TO
4 ANOTHER, THAT THEIR ABILITY TO USE THAT COMPUTER IS REMOVED
5 FROM THEM. THAT'S NOT A VERY, VERY DIFFICULT THING TO DO. AND
6 I THINK WE SHOULD REALLY KEEP AN EYE ON MANY COMPUTER PRINTERS
7 AND SO ON WE HAVE LOST FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS BECAUSE I HAVE
8 CONSISTENTLY ASKED TO GET DOCUMENTATION, YET IT HAS NEVER BEEN
9 PROVIDED TO ME. AND UNDER THE RECORD ACT, I DO NOT HAVE TO PUT
10 IT IN WRITING. AND I CAN SHOW YOU. IT HAS BEEN PROBABLY 50
11 TIMES I HAVE REQUESTED DOCUMENTATION ON THAT. THANK YOU.

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13 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WHY, YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS.
14 JUST READING WHAT YOU HAVE ON YOUR AGENDA, THESE DEPARTMENTS
15 HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED BY THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER WITH HAVING
16 SECURITY VULNERABILITIES. SO IF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAS
17 IDENTIFIED DEPARTMENTS AS HAVING SECURITY VULNERABILITIES, WHY
18 NOT DIRECT THEM TO HAVE THOSE DEPARTMENTS COME UP WITH THE
19 SECURITY STEPS AND REPORT BACK INSTEAD OF HAVING THE CHIEF
20 EXECUTIVE OFFICER COME UP WITH THE SECURITY STEPS? BECAUSE
21 EVIDENTLY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S OFFICE DIDN'T KNOW
22 ABOUT THE DEPARTMENTS HAVING THE HAVE VULNERABILITIES, BUT THE
23 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S DEPARTMENT DID. SO YOU'RE KIND OF LIKE
24 CHASING YOUR TAIL HERE TWICE AROUND. AND WHY HAVE THEM REPORT
25 BACK TO THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER? WHY NOT HAVE THEM REPORT BACK

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1 TO THE COUNTY CHIEF INFORMATION SECURITY OFFICER? AND WOULDN'T
2 THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER MAKE THESE REPORTS AVAILABLE TO THE
3 CHIEF INFORMATION SECURITY OFFICER? IT'S KIND OF REDUNDANT
4 AGAIN. IT'S KIND OF LIKE REMEMBER WHEN JERRY BROWN CAME DOWN
5 HERE. AS A MATTER OF FACT, THEY CHANGED THE LAW. HE CAME DOWN
6 AND HAD THAT CONFERENCE WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
7 EVERYBODY DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WAS GOING ON, BUT WE FIGURED THAT
8 ONE OUT. WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THE MONEY FROM PROP 30. AND
9 THEY CHANGED THE LAW THAT ALLOWS THE GOVERNOR TO MEET WITH THE
10 BOARD IN CASES OF COUNTY-WIDE, STATE-WIDE CRISIS. WHEN THE
11 COUNTY OF L.A. IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST CRISES IN THE STATE,
12 THAT'S KIND OF REDUNDANT. THAT'S THE SAME THING THAT'S GOING
13 ON HERE. YOU'RE JUST MAKING UP THIS INFORMATION TO MAKE IT
14 SOUND LIKE YOU'RE DOING SOMETHING. WE HAVE THE SILOS THAT WE
15 HEAR ABOUT. BUT NOTHING'S GOING TO BE DONE. AND ON TOP OF
16 EVERYTHING ELSE, YOU HEAR ABOUT ALL THESE COMPUTER HACKING
17 INTO FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, AND NOW YOU'RE GETTING ON
18 THIS? OH, THIS TRAIN SAILED A LONG TIME AGO AND THE BOAT WENT
19 ON THE TRACKS, TOO.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME FIRST COMMEND THE
22 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS ON THIS MOTION BECAUSE IT'S VERY
23 IMPORTANT. WE'VE TALKED ABOUT THIS MANY TIMES IN THE PAST. AND
24 MOVING FORWARD ON THIS REPORT IS GOING TO BE IN THE BEST

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1 INTERESTS OF EVERYONE IN THE COUNTY. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
2 THOMAS.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR. I THINK IT
5 SHOULD BE OBVIOUS AND WORTH STATING THAT INFORMATION
6 TECHNOLOGY IS A CRITICAL COMPONENT OF GOOD GOVERNMENT AND GOOD
7 GOVERNANCE. IN RECENT YEARS, SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD,
8 WE'VE INITIATED A NUMBER OF IMPROVEMENTS TO OUR I.T. SYSTEMS.
9 AND LAST YEAR, NONE OF THE COUNTY PRODUCED ANY ENCRYPTION
10 DATA. THAT IS, A FEW HAD BEEN SECURED. BUT WE QUICKLY TOOK
11 STEPS TO CHANGE THAT, AND TODAY HEALTH FACILITIES, AGENCIES
12 ACROSS THE COUNTY ARE PROTECTED; THAT IS TO SAY, ENCRYPTED.
13 THAT'S A GOOD THING. INSTEAD OF 49 SEPARATE DATA CENTERS IN
14 THE COUNTY, WE NOW HAVE ADOPTED A POLICY THAT WILL BRING ALL
15 THE COUNTY I.T. SYSTEMS INTO A CENTRALIZED LOCATION. THAT'S A
16 GOOD THING. THAT'S SMART. THAT'S APPROPRIATE. IT'S WHAT WE
17 SHOULD DO. IT OBVIOUSLY WILL INCREASE SECURITY. BUT IT WILL
18 ALSO SPEAK TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND SAVE HUNDREDS, LITERALLY
19 HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. THIS BOARD OUGHT TO BE
20 ACKNOWLEDGED FOR HAVING MOVED THOSE THINGS FORWARD. WE'RE ALSO
21 WORKING ON CREATING A CENTRALIZED ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD
22 SYSTEM THAT INCLUDES THE DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH, PUBLIC HEALTH,
23 MENTAL HEALTH AND ADD TO THAT PUBLIC SAFETY. ALL CRITICALLY
24 NECESSARY. I THINK YOU'LL UNDERSTAND THAT THIS WILL CREATE ONE
25 RECORD, ONE PATIENT ACROSS THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND THAT

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1 MAKES INTEGRATED HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEMS ALL THE MORE
2 EFFECTIVE AND IT WILL PUSH TOWARD PATIENT OUTCOMES THAT WILL
3 BE CELEBRATED NOT ONLY IN OUR COUNTY BUT ACROSS THE NATION
4 BECAUSE THEY WILL RECOGNIZE THAT THIS COUNTY WILL HAVE FIGURED
5 IT OUT, AND THE PATIENTS WILL BE BETTER FOR IT. AFTER ALL,
6 THAT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY, THAT IS OUR MANDATE. SO WE WANTED
7 TO FOSTER ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY IN THE COUNTY, AND
8 THAT'S THE MOVE THAT WE'RE MAKING AND HOW WE ACCOMPLISH THAT
9 THROUGH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, BUILD A STATE-OF-THE-ART OPEN
10 DATA WEBSITE WHERE RESIDENTS CAN ACCESS INFORMATION RANGING
11 FROM RESTAURANT RATINGS TO CRIME STATISTICS TO COUNTY
12 EXPENDITURE, THAT'S ALL GOOD. AND YET THERE'S MORE WORK THAT
13 NEEDS TO BE DONE. OUR SECURITY AND QUALITY SAFEGUARDS AND
14 MONITORING EFFORTS NEED TO KEEP UP. WE NEED TO IMPROVE WHAT
15 WE'RE DOING, ALTHOUGH WE'VE DONE A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT. IN OTHER
16 WORDS, IN THE VERNACULAR, WE NEED TO UP OUR GAME. WHETHER IT'S
17 IN OUR ENCRYPTION EFFORTS TO BASIC SAFEGUARDS THAT ENSURE
18 TERMINATED OR DEPARTING EMPLOYEES IMMEDIATELY LOSE ACCESS TO
19 SENSITIVE INFORMATION, AGAIN, WE NEED TO UP OUR GAME.
20 EFFICIENT, RELIABLE, USEFUL, MODERN, QUALITY AND SECURE I.T.
21 IS WHAT WE SEEK TO DELIVER HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
22 AND CAUSE IT TO BE CENTRAL TO THE WAY WE CONDUCT OUR BUSINESS
23 AT ITS CORE WITH RESPECT TO OUR MISSION OF GOVERNANCE, AND ANY
24 GOVERNANCE STRUCTURING AND/OR RESTRUCTURING HAS TO TAKE THAT
25 INTO CONSIDERATION. MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I APPRECIATE THE

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1 ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ENCOURAGE UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE ITEM BEFORE
2 US. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
5 THOMAS, SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.
6 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU HELD 8?

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8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 8 AND 15.

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12 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THIS IS FORTUITOUS TO FOLLOW THE DISCUSSION
13 THAT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS JUST INITIATED BECAUSE THERE IS
14 A LOT OF MOTION GOING ON ABOUT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY IN THE
15 COUNTY, THE CONSIDERATIONS OF SECURITY, THE WORKING TOGETHER
16 SO THAT WE HAVE PATIENT RECORDS THAT DOVETAIL UPON WHICH HE'S
17 ALSO TAKEN LEADERSHIP ALONG WITH OTHERS ON OUR BOARD. AND
18 THESE TWO MOTIONS, IF I MAY SPEAK ABOUT BOTH OF THEM AND ASK
19 THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER IF HE MIGHT COME ANSWER A FEW
20 QUESTIONS FOR US IF HE'S HERE? THERE HE IS. WELCOME. THANK YOU
21 SO MUCH FOR BEING HERE AND FOR YOUR WORK. STARTING, IF I MAY,
22 WITH ITEM 15, WHICH IS THE BOARD LETTER FROM THE C.I.O. TO
23 SPEND ABOUT A LITTLE OVER \$3 MILLION TO DEVELOP THE COUNTY-
24 WIDE MASTER DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM. AND IT'S RELATED TO ITEM
25 NO. 8 BECAUSE WE'RE ACTUALLY GOING TO ASK FOR A REPORT THAT

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1 RELATES TO THIS. BUT IN TERMS OF THE COUNTYWIDE MASTER DATA
2 MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, COULD YOU DESCRIBE BRIEFLY WHAT IT IS GOING
3 TO DO, WHAT THE PROPOSED SORT OF TIMELINE IS? WHICH
4 DEPARTMENTS ARE TO BE ENGAGED?

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6 **RICHARD SANCHEZ:** ABSOLUTELY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. MY NAME IS
7 RICHARD SANCHEZ. I'M THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER. THE NEED
8 FOR A PERSON IDENTITY MATCH TOOL HAS BEEN NEEDED IN THE COUNTY
9 OF LOS ANGELES FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. WE PROBABLY STARTED
10 LOOKING AT A NEED OR A SOLUTION FOR THIS IN THE 1980S. THERE
11 WAS A LOT OF PROJECTS THAT WERE INITIATED TO TRY TO GET US A
12 SINGLE IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM SO THAT WE CAN HAVE MATCHING DONE
13 WITHIN MANY OF OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. UNFORTUNATELY, THE
14 TECHNOLOGY WASN'T AVAILABLE AT THAT TIME. WITHIN THE LAST FIVE
15 YEARS, THE IDENTITY MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGY HAS EVOLVED TO THE
16 POINT WHERE IT'S BECOME A RELIABLE COMMERCIAL PRODUCT THAT IS
17 AVAILABLE FROM WITHIN THE INDUSTRY. AND IT HAS BEEN USED IN
18 NUMEROUS CASES. THE COUNTYWIDE MASTER DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM,
19 C.W.M.D.M. AS WE'RE CALLING IT, IS AN ENABLING TOOL THAT
20 PROVIDES DEPARTMENTS WITH THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS A PERSON
21 IDENTITY MATCH RESOLUTION. THIS IDENTITY RESOLUTION TOOL WILL
22 ENABLE, LET'S SAY, A MENTAL HEALTH OR HEALTH SERVICES DOCTOR
23 OR A D.C.F.S. SOCIAL WORKER TO KNOW WHETHER THE PATIENT OR
24 INDIVIDUAL THEY'RE ABOUT TO VISIT WITH HAS RECEIVED SERVICES
25 FROM OTHER COUNTY AGENCIES. THE TOOL WILL ON A REAL TIME BASIS

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1 RESOLVE PERSONS' IDENTITIES, SO WHEN THE CASEWORKER IS
2 REVIEWING CASE FILES, THEY WILL HAVE THIS INFORMATION IN TERMS
3 OF WHAT OTHER SERVICES ARE THEY GETTING FROM OTHER COUNTY
4 DEPARTMENTS? THIS WILL BE INVALUABLE TO THE COUNTY AS A
5 CONTINUATION OF CARE BEING GIVEN TO COUNTY CITIZENS. AND IN
6 MANY WAYS, THIS IS WHAT I WOULD CALL A WATERSHED MOMENT FOR
7 THE COUNTY. THE CREATION OF AN ENTERPRISE OR COUNTYWIDE TOOL
8 THAT WHEN COMPLETED WILL PROVIDE FOR IDENTITY RESOLUTION
9 MANAGEMENT ACROSS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS.

10

11 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IN ITEM 8, WHICH IS
12 RELATED BY SUBJECT MATTER, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND I ARE BRINGING
13 A MOTION THAT ASKS FOR TWO DIFFERENT KINDS OF REPORTS. AND THE
14 REASON IS BECAUSE WE'RE STARTING TO ROLL OUT THIS SYSTEM, AND
15 IT ENGAGES, I THINK, D.H.S., D.C.F.S. AND D.M.H.

16

17 **RICHARD SANCHEZ:** THAT IS CORRECT.

18

19 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** AND IT'S VERY IMPORTANT. BECAUSE AS WE'VE
20 BEEN DISCUSSING FOR A LONG TIME, THE SAME PEOPLE, THE SAME
21 FAMILIES COME AND SEEK OUR HELP AT SO MANY DIFFERENT
22 DEPARTMENTS, AND WE DON'T KNOW AND OUR WORKERS DON'T KNOW. BUT
23 THE FIRST PART OF THE MOTION ASKS FOR A REPORT IN SIX MONTHS
24 AFTER THE SYSTEM HAS BEEN ROLLED OUT AND FUNCTIONING, WE HOPE,
25 AS TO REALLY KIND OF WHO IS TAKING CHARGE? WHO IS RESPONSIBLE

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1 FOR THE SYSTEM AND ITS INTEGRATION? WHETHER IT'S REALLY
2 WORKING IN AMONG THESE THREE DEPARTMENTS? AND I ASSUME ALSO
3 WAYS IN WHICH IT MIGHT NOT BE WORKING. BECAUSE WE MIGHT BE
4 ABLE TO IDENTIFY THAT PEOPLE ARE INVOLVED, BUT WE MAY NOT BE
5 ABLE TO GET THE INFORMATION. IN SOME CASES, WE MIGHT STILL
6 HAVE TO CALL THE DEPARTMENT TO GET THE INFORMATION ON THE
7 PEOPLE WE KNOW ARE BEING SERVED. SO WE WANT TO REALLY CONTINUE
8 TO HAVE A HANDLE ON THIS. AND THE THIRD THING THAT I'D LIKE TO
9 HEAR IN THE SIX-MONTH REPORT REALLY RELATES TO D.P.S.S.
10 D.P.S.S. IS BEING TORN IN A NUMBER OF DIRECTIONS ABOUT ITS
11 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. THEY'RE REQUIRED TO INTEGRATE WITH THE
12 STATE. THE STATE HAS PUT IN MONEY FOR US TO DEVELOP THE LEADER
13 SYSTEM. D.P.S.S., HOWEVER, IS NOT IN THE SYSTEM THAT WE ARE
14 CURRENTLY TALKING ABOUT. SO I WANT TO TRY TO UNDERSTAND, SINCE
15 SO MANY OF OUR FAMILIES ARE IN THAT SYSTEM, HOW THAT IS REALLY
16 GOING TO INTEGRATE. THE SECOND PART OF ITEM 8 ASKS FOR ANOTHER
17 REPORT TO BE RETURNED TO US IN 90 DAYS, WHICH IS REALLY A MUCH
18 LARGER LOOK. KIND OF MACRO LEVEL, AT COUNTYWIDE INFORMATION
19 TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS. THERE ARE SO MANY BEING ROLLED OUT, SO
20 MANY BEING CONSIDERED, SO MANY BEING FUNDED. AND SO I'D LIKE
21 TO ASK IN THAT 90-DAY REPORT FOR KIND OF AN ISSUE-BASED
22 DISCUSSION OF THE COUNTY'S I.T. APPLICATION SYSTEMS, SHORT-
23 TERM, LONG TERM, BUDGETARY, ESPECIALLY, I THINK, TECHNOLOGY,
24 BECAUSE WE FANTASIZE THAT EVERYTHING IS GOING TO HANDSHAKE
25 WITH EVERYTHING ELSE, AND IT ACTUALLY DOESN'T. I'D ALSO LOOK

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1 FOR A SUMMARY OF THE COUNTY'S 1,000 PLUS I.T. APPLICATIONS,
2 THE APPS THAT WE USE IN ALL OF THESE DIFFERENT SYSTEMS, MAYBE
3 BY DEPARTMENT OR BY C.E.O. POLICY AREA NOW THAT WE'VE ADOPTED
4 THE NEW A.P.C.S. AND A DESCRIPTION OF THE MAJOR I.T.
5 APPLICATIONS. THERE MAY BE 10 TO 20 OF THEM, TRULY LARGE,
6 CRITICAL. SO I'D LIKE TO UNDERSTAND HOW OLD ARE THOSE SYSTEMS,
7 EACH OF THEM? WHAT ARE THE CONFIDENTIALITY REQUIREMENTS?
8 BECAUSE THAT'S WHERE WE SOMETIMES HAVE TROUBLE WITH OUR
9 INTERFACE, WHETHER WE'RE CONSIDERING REPLACEMENT; AND IF SO,
10 WHAT THAT COST IS GOING THE LOOK LIKE. AND MOST ESPECIALLY IF
11 THERE'S ANY REAL ABILITY TO TALK TO THE OTHER SYSTEMS. I
12 UNDERSTAND THE TECHNOLOGICAL BARRIERS. BUT I THINK WE ALL NEED
13 TO SEE IN A VERY SYSTEMATIC WAY HOW THAT LOOKS. AND THEN I
14 THINK, FINALLY, OUR ABILITY OR POTENTIAL TO DEVELOP NEW I.T.
15 APPLICATIONS. WE BROUGHT A MOTION I THINK LAST WEEK, MAYBE THE
16 WEEK BEFORE, TO CONSIDER THE USE OF OPEN APPLICATIONS, WHICH
17 ARE FREE TO THE COUNTY, SOME OF THEM VERY GOOD. WHETHER WE
18 MIGHT ENGAGE IN REVERSE PITCHES I THINK THEY'RE CALLED, WHERE
19 WE IDENTIFY WHAT WE NEED AND ASK DEVELOPERS, SOME OF THEM VERY
20 INDEPENDENT, TO COME IN AND SAY "I CAN DO THAT," ESPECIALLY IN
21 TERMS OF THE CONNECTOR PARTS. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO THAT. I
22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE WORK YOU WILL DO AND WOULD ASK MY
23 COLLEAGUES FOR THEIR SUPPORT ON ITEM 8 AND FOR THE C.I.O.'S
24 BOARD LETTER IN ITEM 15.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** MR. MAYOR?

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, I AM VERY PLEASED TO SEE THESE ITEMS
6 COME TOGETHER AND I, TOO, KNOW WE'RE MOVING VERY QUICKLY ON
7 CONSOLIDATING. I THINK THIS IS GREAT BECAUSE THE COUNTRY IS
8 ALSO LOOKING AT EVERYTHING THAT WE'RE DOING HERE. AND IT'S
9 UNFORTUNATE THAT WE HAVEN'T COME UP TO SPEED ON DATA
10 CENTRALIZATION. BUT I'M ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT ENCRYPTION AND
11 SAFETY SAFEGUARDS. CAN YOU TALK A LITTLE ABOUT THAT, WHERE
12 WE'RE GOING?

13

14 **RICHARD SANCHEZ:** YES, SUPERVISOR. CYBER SECURITY HAS CERTAINLY
15 BEEN IN THE FOREFRONT OF MANY NEWS ARTICLES THAT WE'VE BEEN
16 LOOKING AT. WE HAVE ESTABLISHED A VERY STRONG SECURITY PROGRAM
17 WITHIN OUR VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AS WELL AS OUR CENTRAL
18 AGENCIES THAT TAKE A LOOK AT EVERYTHING SUCH AS OUR NETWORK,
19 FOR EXAMPLE, TO PROTECT OURSELVES FROM THAT MEANS. SUPERVISOR
20 RIDLEY-THOMAS MENTIONED EARLIER, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
21 PERHAPS WE HAD A LAPSE ON WAS ON OUR OWN DEVICES ON OUR
22 DESKTOPS BECAUSE WE, AS YOU POINT OUT, TECHNOLOGY HAS EVOLVED
23 TO THE POINT WITH MASSIVE USE OF THE INTERNET, WE HAVE BECOME
24 A LITTLE BIT OPEN, IF YOU WILL, FOR ATTACKS TO COME INTO OUR
25 SYSTEM. SO WHAT WE ARE DOING NOW IS WE ARE TAKING SAFEGUARDS

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1 TO PROTECT OUR DATA IN INREST, ON OUR DESKTOPS. WITH TOOLS AND
2 PRODUCTS THAT WE HAVE INITIATED. AND WE'RE ALMOST 100 PERCENT
3 COMPLETED IN PROTECTING ALL OF OUR DESKTOPS THROUGH
4 ENCRYPTION. SO IT'S A CONSTANT PROGRAM THAT WE ARE ALWAYS
5 LOOKING AT. AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO WORK ON BECAUSE THIS IS
6 RAPIDLY EVOLVING. AND WE ARE PROBABLY GOING TO BE COMING BACK
7 TO YOUR BOARD AND ASKING THIS BOARD FOR PROBABLY ADDITIONAL
8 MEASURES FOR US TO PROTECT OURSELVES WITHIN OUR OWN
9 ENVIRONMENT.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE MAY BE SOME FEDERAL
12 ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE TO HELP WITH CYBER SECURITY. ON ONE OF
13 OUR VISITS BACK TO D.C., WE MET WITH THE DOMESTIC POLICY
14 COUNCIL, AND I LEARNED THERE THAT THERE ARE SOME FUNDS
15 AVAILABLE FOR PARTICULAR AREAS TO HELP US, HELP GOVERNMENTS
16 LIKE OURS. WE'RE SO LARGE, THAT WE SHOULD BE PARTNERING IN ANY
17 WAY WE CAN TO DO THAT. BUT ALSO DEVELOP OUR OWN STRIKE FORCE
18 TEAM INTERNALLY, SO WE'RE PREPARED. SO WE HAVE A NUMBER OF
19 PEOPLE ON STAFF THAT ARE READY TO ASSIST US SO THAT WE DON'T
20 SEE ANY BREAK-INS, SO TO SPEAK. AND THAT WE'RE BEING MORE
21 PROACTIVE AS OPPOSED TO REACTIVE. SO I'M GOING THE LOOK
22 FORWARD TO HEARING THE PROGRESS ON ALL THAT AND COMMEND THE
23 BOARD MEMBERS FOR MOVING FORWARD ON THIS ITEM. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR? OKAY. WE HAVE SOME PUBLIC
2 COMMENT. FIRST WE GO TO ANTELOPE VALLEY. NICOLE PARSON?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP DR. GENEVIEVE
5 CLAVREUL, ERIC PREVEN AND ARNOLD SACHS. GOOD MORNING, NICOLE.

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7 **NICOLE PARSON:** GOOD MORNING, MR. ANTONOVICH. SO WE'RE ON THE--
8 NO. 8 IS THE GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE. AND I JUST FOUND, WELL, SO
9 I READ SACHI'S-- I LIKE THAT, THE WAY YOU GUYS PUT IT
10 TOGETHER, THERE'S LIKE 25 OF YOU GUYS. AND I NEED MAYBE ABOUT
11 25 HARD THINGS OR CANS FOR YOU GUYS TO PUT THE DESIGN BACK
12 TOGETHER. I'LL JUST SET SOME CASE THROUGH HERE AND THAT'S
13 THAT. AND ALSO THIS IS THE REAL DESIGN AGAIN. BUT IT'S REALLY
14 HEAVY AND YOU NEVER GET BACK TO ME. AND THIS IS THE WATER. OH,
15 WAIT. THIS ONE WAS LIKE MR. AREKI, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU CAN
16 DRAW LIKE THE STATE WATER PROJECT WHAT YOU SEE NOW OR WHAT YOU
17 HAVE, BUT THIS WAS LIKE WITH MY KITTY LITTER AND SOAP. SO IT
18 HAS LIKE STAIN LINES. BUT THE WATER IS NOT GOING TO PASS
19 BECAUSE THE SEWER IS, THE SEWER PROJECT IS CONNECTED TO
20 FRESHWATER SO YOU DO NEED AN E.I.R. AND BACK TO THE GOVERNANCE
21 STRUCTURE, I SEE ALL THE DEPARTMENTS ARE TOGETHER, AND YOU
22 GUYS MAYBE JUST WANT TO LET ME INTO PUBLIC WORKS BECAUSE I'M
23 LESS HARMLESS THERE BECAUSE THE PUBLIC WORKS, I CAN'T REALLY
24 DO ANYTHING DIFFERENT AND ALSO I JUST WANT TO ASK EVERYONE IN
25 ANTELOPE VALLEY TO GO TO ALL OF OUR PARKS AND RECS AND TAKE

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1 ALL OF OUR CLASSES. AND THEN BECAUSE THEY'LL TAKE CARE OF YOU
2 AND IT'S SOMETHING TO GROW WITH YOUR LIFE AND STUFF. AND THEN
3 I DID EVALUATION OF THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE AND THE
4 REGISTRAR-RECORDER. THERE'S STILL SOMETHING WRONG. THE I.T.,
5 THERE SHOULD BE A CLERK, AN OFFICE OF THE CLERK. AND SO THE
6 COURTS, NONE OF YOUR STRUCTURES. TALK TO YOU. BYE.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, NICOLE. THANK YOU. OKAY.
9 MR. PREVEN.

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11 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT IS ERIC PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT
12 FROM DISTRICT 3. AND I'D LIKE TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS WHO ARE
13 LEANING IN TO THE I.T. AND ESPECIALLY I'D LIKE TO THANK
14 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL WHO I THINK FOR A DECADE OR MAYBE MORE HAS
15 BEEN COMING TO THIS BOARD WORRIED ABOUT THE INTER-- THE WAY WE
16 SPEND MONEY ON I.T. BECAUSE IT IS QUITE FRANKLY, DAZZLING.
17 I'VE HAD A FEW EXCAVATIONS MYSELF. ONE THAT I THINK THAT IS
18 RELEVANT, SUPERVISORS, HAS TO DO WITH A COMPANY CALLED NET
19 SMART, WHICH I ONCE REFERRED TO AS NOT SMART BECAUSE IT WAS A
20 CONTRACT FOR APPROXIMATELY 90 PLUS MILLION DOLLARS. \$93
21 MILLION, I BELIEVE. AND WHAT HAPPENED WAS, IT WAS EXTENDED FOR
22 ANOTHER 15 MILLION INSIDE OF A 10-YEAR SERVICE AGREEMENT. NOW,
23 OBVIOUSLY WHAT HAPPENS THERE IS THE SHARPIES COME UP AND GO
24 OH, BAD NEWS. WE'VE GOT A 15 PERCENT UPCHARGE ON YOUR 100
25 MILLION BUCKS, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND MR. SANCHEZ WHO DOES

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1 A VERY NICE JOB, I SUPPOSE, DOESN'T SEEM OR I WAS ASSURED BY
2 THE MENTAL HEALTH GROUP THAT WE HAVE VERY SHARP NEGOTIATORS
3 FIGHTING VERY HARD. BUT WHEN I SEE THAT KIND OF A MASSIVE
4 UPCHARGE, I WORRY. SO I KNOW WE'VE APPROACHED THIS MANY
5 DIFFERENT WAYS. I THINK THE BRIGHT LIGHT, IF THERE IS ONE, IS
6 IN ASKING FOR ALL THE INFORMATION. I THINK THE DIFFICULTY IS
7 IN MAKING SENSE OF IT BECAUSE WE ARE DEALING WITH A ROBUST
8 SERIES OF FLEECINGS GOING ON ON A REGULAR BASIS BY SOME OF OUR
9 FRIENDS AT SOME OF THE COMPANIES THAT WE'VE HEARD OVER THE
10 YEARS. I'M BLOCKING THE NAME OF ONE THAT I CAN THINK OF NOW
11 WITH THE BIG SHERIFF CONTRACT. WE'VE FOUGHT ABOUT IT BEFORE.
12 BUT I DO APPRECIATE THAT WE ARE LOOKING AT THIS. I DO THINK
13 THAT COMMON SENSE IS IN REACH. AND THE COUNTY DOES A VERY NICE
14 JOB OF PROVIDING SERVICES, SORT OF. SO THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS.

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18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WHY, YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING AGAIN. ARNOLD
19 SACHS. AND I'M SOMEWHAT SURPRISED WITH THE AMOUNT OF MONEY
20 THAT THE COUNTY IS PUTTING OUT FOR THESE CONTRACTS FOR THIS
21 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, WITH THE ORCHARD AND LEADER AND ALL
22 THESE OTHER SYSTEMS THAT ARE LISTED IN HERE, AND MISS KUEHL,
23 YOU MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT D.P.S.S. NOT BEING PART OF ONE
24 OF THE SYSTEMS. WELL DON'T YOU THINK YOU OUGHT TO GET YOUR
25 DUCKS IN A ROW BEFORE YOU GO DUCK HUNTING? THAT THEY SHOULD BE

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1 PART OF THE SYSTEM? I MEAN, THAT'S PART OF THE PROBLEM. HE
2 JUST MENTIONED THE FLEECING THAT GOES ON FROM THE COUNTY. AND
3 HE JUST TOUCHED IT LIKE AN ICEBERG. YOU ONLY SEE THE PART
4 ABOVE THE WATER. IT JUST AMAZES ME THAT WITH THE COUNTY'S
5 LEADERSHIP THAT YOU WOULD NOT BE LEADING, THAT YOU WOULD NOT
6 HAVE THESE UPDATES AND UPGRADES AND EVERYTHING THAT GOES ALONG
7 WITH THESE INFORMATION SYSTEMS THAT WOULD BECOME INTEGRAL TO
8 RUNNING THE COUNTY. IT IS A COUNTY OF 10 MILLION PEOPLE. AND
9 THE POPULATION IS ONLY INCREASING. THE BEST PART-- I DO LIKE
10 THIS PART ABOUT THE DASHBOARD INDICATORS BECAUSE-- AND I
11 MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT THAT LAST WEEK. BUT THIS IS A NEW
12 IMPROVED VERSION. BECAUSE THE DASHBOARD INDICATORS GETS ME
13 THINKING ABOUT THE CRASH TEST DUMMIES THAT ARE RUNNING THE
14 COUNTY. AND SO WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE CRASH TEST
15 DUMMIES BEFORE WE START LOOKING AT THE DASHBOARD INDICATORS.
16 THAT'S WHERE THE PROBLEM IS.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DR. CLAVREUL?

19

20 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING AGAIN. BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. AND FOR TRUE DISCLOSURE,
22 I MUST TELL YOU THE REASON I HAVE SHOWN SO MUCH INTEREST IN
23 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, BECAUSE IN 1981 WHEN H.I.V. STARTED, I
24 CONVINCED I.B.M. TO DEVELOP INTRANETS IN HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS
25 OF UNIVERSITIES ALL OVER THE WORLD, IN 1981, WHEN IT WAS NOT

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1 THE INTERNET, IT WAS BITNET. SO I AM VERY FOCUSED ON IT. ALSO,
2 I TOTALLY ADMIRE THE INDIVIDUAL WORK AT CAL TECH AND J.P.L.
3 MANY OF THEM ARE SO DEDICATED TO DO THE RIGHT THING. I'M SURE
4 IF YOU WILL PUT UP A SEMINAR TOGETHER, ASK A FEW PEOPLE TO
5 COME AND LOOK AT THE ISSUE, I'M SURE THEY COULD LOOK AT IT,
6 AND IN ALL HONESTY, LOOK AT THE CAPABILITY. WHAT WE HAVE NOW,
7 WHAT WE NEED AND WHEN IT CAN BE CORRECTED. I AM FIRM BELIEVER
8 IT IS NEVER TOO LATE. I REALLY APPLAUD YOU FOR WHAT YOU'RE
9 DOING TODAY. BUT WHEN I SPEAK ABOUT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. I
10 AM VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE, PROBABLY MORE THAN ANYONE IN THIS ROOM.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE ALWAYS LISTEN TO GENEVIEVE. WE
13 ALWAYS LISTEN TO YOU. WE DON'T ALWAYS DO WHAT YOU SAY, THOUGH.
14 BUT MANY TIMES WE DO.

15

16 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** THE FREEDOM TO THE PEOPLE IS TO
17 EXPRESS THEIR OPINION. AND IN MY CASE, I NEVER SPEAK WHEN I
18 DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M SPEAKING ABOUT.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND I APPRECIATE YOU. YOU GIVE YOUR
21 OPINION BECAUSE IT'S FROM THE HEART. YOU'RE NOT LIKE SOME
22 PEOPLE THAT COME UP HERE IN SPACE. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

23

24 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** BUT I'D BE GLAD TO HELP ON THAT
25 PROJECT, ACTUALLY.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.

3

4 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** FOR NOTHING.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ONCE AGAIN, MR. MAYOR, COLLEAGUES, I WANT
7 TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK THAT'S BEING DONE THROUGH ITEM NO. 8.
8 IT DOES, AS WAS MENTIONED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, COMPLEMENT WHAT
9 WE ARE SEEKING TO ACCOMPLISH, ITEM NO. 6, WITH A MORE
10 COMPREHENSIVE VIEW OF THE MATTER, WITH THE REGULARITY OF
11 AUDITS THROUGHOUT THE SYSTEM. I BELIEVE WE WILL DO MUCH BETTER
12 THAN WE HAVE. SO I AM PLEASED TO SUPPORT ITEM NO. 8,
13 COMPLEMENTARY ITEM, MR. MAYOR, I SUSPECT IS ITEM NO. 15. I
14 DIDN'T KNOW WE WERE GOING TO DISPOSE OF THEM IN TANDEM OR
15 BIFURCATE. BUT WHATEVER THE PLEASURE OF THE MAYOR IS, I'M
16 PREPARED TO BE FULLY SUPPORTIVE OF BOTH. I THINK WE'RE MAKING
17 SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS. PLEASE BE REMINDED OF GOVERNANCE
18 DISCUSSION LAST WEEK WHERE THE ISSUE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
19 FROM A GOVERNANCE PERSPECTIVE WAS RAISED BY SEVERAL OF THE
20 BOARD MEMBERS, AS I RECALL. SO THIS IS ON OUR MIND IN A VERY,
21 VERY REAL WAY. I KNOW THE INTERIM C.E.O. HAS BEEN STUDYING
22 THIS ISSUE FOR QUITE SOME TIME, NOT JUST SIMPLY OVER THE LAST
23 SIX MONTHS IN THE CONTEXT OF GOVERNANCE, BUT EVEN PRIOR TO
24 THAT, IN THE FORMER ROLE, BECAUSE THIS ISSUE CLEARLY IMPACTS
25 AND IMPINGES ON ALL DEPARTMENTS. AND SO IT'S JUST A GOOD THING

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1 THAT WE ARE NOW ROWING IN THE SAME DIRECTION. AND SO, MR.
2 MAYOR, I AM PREPARED TO MOVE ALL OF THE ITEMS BEFORE US WITH
3 THE APPROPRIATE ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RESPECT FOR THE WORK THAT'S
4 BEEN DONE BY THE RESPECTIVE MEMBERS.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
7 THOMAS-- SUPERVISOR SHEILA KUEHL? SECOND BY SUPERVISOR MARK
8 RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. ON A PERSONAL PRIVILEGE, MR.
11 MAYOR, IF YOU WOULD, JUST A LITTLE SHOUT OUT TO THE CONCERNED
12 CITIZENS OF THE GREATER WILLOWBROOK AREA AND THE WORK THAT
13 THEY ARE DOING TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF THEIR
14 NEIGHBORHOODS. AND I WISH TO SAY THAT A LOT'S GOING ON IN
15 WILLOWBROOK. AND WE'RE GLAD THAT YOU'RE HERE. [APPLAUSE.] AND
16 THAT WE WILL TAKE NOTE OF ALL THE GOOD THINGS GOING ON FROM
17 THE ARTS PERSPECTIVE, FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL PERSPECTIVE, FROM
18 THE HEALTH PERSPECTIVE, AND THE TRANSPORTATION PERSPECTIVE.
19 SUFFICE IT TO SAY THAT WILLOWBROOK GOT IT GOING ON. I'LL BE
20 OUT TO SEE YOU SOONER RATHER THAN LATER. GOD BLESS YOU.
21 [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** OKAY, I'D LIKE TO CALL UP ITEM 44. MADAME
24 CLERK?

25

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1 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** THANK YOU. AND I WILL SWEAR
2 IN THOSE WHO WISH TO TESTIFY ON THE PUBLIC HEARING. SO ALL
3 THOSE THAT PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD PLEASE STAND AND
4 RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY
5 GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY SWEAR TO TELL THE
6 TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU
7 GOD? THANK YOU. ON ITEM 44, THIS IS A HEARING ON PROJECT NO.
8 R2014-01160, AMENDING TITLE 22, PLANNING AND ZONING FOR THE
9 PROPOSED RENEWABLE ENERGY ORDINANCE TO REVISE AND ADD
10 DEFINITIONS RELATED TO SOLAR AND WIND ENERGY PROJECTS. ON THIS
11 THERE IS A DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT AND THERE WAS CORRESPONDENCE
12 RECEIVED AND WE HAVE A NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
13 SIGNED UP TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME FIRST READ AN AMENDMENT THAT
16 WILL BE MADE AND THEN WE'LL ASK THE DEPARTMENT TO MAKE SOME
17 REMARKS. "THE COUNTY RECOGNIZES SIGNIFICANT EFFORTS ARE
18 CURRENTLY UNDERWAY ON BOTH THE FEDERAL AND STATE LEVELS
19 INCREASING THE PRODUCTION OF ENERGY FROM RENEWABLE SOURCES.
20 THE ORDINANCE WILL ESTABLISH REGULATIONS AND PERMIT
21 REQUIREMENTS THAT SUPPORT AND FACILITATE THE RESPONSIBLE
22 DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL-SCALE RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS AND
23 UTILITY RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES THAT PROTECT THE PUBLIC
24 HEALTH, SAFETY AND MINIMIZE SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS.
25 SINCE 2010, UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR AND WIND FACILITIES HAVE BEEN

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1 PROPOSED WITHIN THE COUNTY. AND SPECIFICALLY WITHIN THE
2 ANTELOPE VALLEY. 11 APPLICATIONS FOR SOLAR PROJECTS HAVE BEEN
3 APPROVED IN ANTELOPE VALLEY, INCLUDING THE 2100-ACRE ANTELOPE
4 VALLEY SOLAR RANCH AND THE 3200-ACRE MID- AMERICAN SOLAR
5 PROJECT. HOWEVER, THERE HAS BEEN SIGNIFICANT OPPOSITION FROM
6 ANTELOPE VALLEY RESIDENTS TO UTILITY SCALE WIND TURBINES, SOME
7 OF WHICH CAN REACH HEIGHTS OF OVER 500 FEET. WIND TURBINES
8 CREATE VISUAL BLIGHT, CONTRADICT THE COUNTY'S RURAL OUTDOOR
9 LIGHTING DISTRICT ORDINANCE WHICH AIMS TO PROTECT DARK SKIES
10 IN AREAS LIKE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS.
11 LAST WEEK THE ENDANGERED HABITAT LEAGUE SENT THE COUNTY A
12 LETTER STATING THAT WIND TURBINES POSE UNAVOIDABLE RISK TO
13 BIRDS AND BATS FLYING INTO THE MOVING BLADES. MY OFFICE HAS
14 ALSO MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE AND
15 DEFENSE CONTRACTORS OPERATING IN PLANT 42. BOTH SAID THAT WIND
16 TURBINES DISRUPT FLIGHT AND WEAPON TEST RANGES AND WILL
17 NEGATIVELY AFFECT THE RESEARCH OPERATIONS. GENERATING
18 RENEWABLE ENERGY IS IMPORTANT AND ANTELOPE VALLEY RESIDENTS
19 HAVE DEALT WITH THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF SOLAR FIELD
20 DEVELOPMENT INCLUDING DUST GENERATION, NOISE AND THOUSANDS OF
21 ACRES OF VISUAL BLIGHT. HOWEVER WIND TURBINES ARE
22 INAPPROPRIATE AND SHOULD BE BANNED. I WOULD MOVE THAT THE
23 AMENDMENT TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING WHICH I WILL RESTATE AT
24 THE END OF THE TESTIMONY THAT'S GOING TO BE MADE BY THE PUBLIC
25 AND FROM THE DEPARTMENT, TO CERTIFY THE FINAL E.I.R. AND ADOPT

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1 THE FINDINGS AND FACT AND STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING
2 CONSIDERATIONS RECOMMENDED IN THE BOARD LETTER INDICATING THE
3 INTENT TO APPROVE THE ORDINANCE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE REGIONAL
4 PLANNING COMMISSION WITH ADDITIONAL CHANGES AS RECOMMENDED BY
5 STAFF AND THE COMMISSION HEARING, INCLUDING A BAN ON UTILITY
6 SCALE WIND ENERGY, DIRECTING COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THAT
7 FINAL ORDINANCE." AND I WILL RE-READ THAT CONCLUSION AT THE
8 END OF THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY. BUT FIRST LET ME ASK THE
9 DEPARTMENT TO RESPOND TO THE PROPOSAL BEFORE US THIS MORNING.

10

11 **JAY LEE:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS. MY
12 NAME IS JAY LEE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. I AM
13 HERE TODAY TO PRESENT ON THE RENEWABLE ENERGY ORDINANCE. THE
14 ORDINANCE AMENDS TITLE 22 OF THE COUNTY CODE TO ESTABLISH
15 PROCEDURES AND STANDARDS FOR REVIEW AND PERMITTING OF SMALL-
16 SCALE AND UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR AND WIND ENERGY PROJECTS. IN
17 KEEPING WITH THE STATE'S RENEWABLE ENERGY POLICY, WE STARTED
18 THIS EFFORT IN 2011. IN JUNE 2013, THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY
19 COMMISSION AWARDED A GRANT FOR US TO COMPLETE THE ORDINANCE
20 AND ASSOCIATED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT. THE PURPOSE OF THE
21 ORDINANCE IS TO SUPPORT RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINIMIZE
22 ENVIRONMENTAL AND COMMUNITY IMPACTS. THE ORDINANCE ENCOURAGES
23 SMALL-SCALE AND STRUCTURE-MOUNTED PROJECTS WHICH WILL BE THE
24 MOST COMMON TYPE IN URBAN AREAS. THE ORDINANCE ALSO BETTER
25 REGULATES GROUND-MOUNTED UTILITY- SCALE PROJECTS WHICH HAVE

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1 THE GREATEST POTENTIAL FOR IMPACTS. CURRENTLY, THERE ARE NO
2 ZONING REGULATIONS FOR UTILITY-SCALE PROJECTS. HAVING
3 COMPREHENSIVE REGULATIONS WILL PROVIDE CLEAR EXPECTATIONS FOR
4 APPLICANTS AND THE PUBLIC. THE ORDINANCE ALSO DIRECTS THESE
5 PROJECTS AWAY FROM THE COUNTY'S MOST SENSITIVE AREAS. THE
6 ORDINANCE ALSO SUPPORTS POLICIES IN THE NEW COUNTY GENERAL
7 PLAN AND ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA PLAN REGARDING RENEWABLE ENERGY
8 AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION. THE ORDINANCE ALSO REFLECTS
9 PREVIOUS BOARD DIRECTION BY, NUMBER ONE, REQUIRING DUST
10 CONTROL MEASURES AND UNDERGROUND TRANSMISSION LINES AND,
11 NUMBER 2, PROHIBITING GROUND-MOUNTED UTILITY-SCALE PROJECTS
12 WITHIN SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREAS. AFTER HEARING TESTIMONY
13 FROM THE PUBLIC IN MARCH AND APRIL, ON APRIL 22ND, 2015, THE
14 COMMISSION RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE.
15 BASED ON FURTHER LEGAL ANALYSIS, STAFF RECOMMENDS A REVISED
16 ORDINANCE FROM WHAT THE COMMISSION CONSIDERED. THE COUNTY
17 CURRENTLY HAS REGULATIONS FOR SMALL-SCALE WIND AND TEMPORARY
18 METEOROLOGICAL TOWERS THAT WERE ADOPTED IN 2002. IN 2009 THE
19 STATE PASSED LEGISLATION THAT ESTABLISHED SMALL-SCALE WIND
20 REGULATIONS. STATE LAW PREVENTS A LOCAL JURISDICTION FROM
21 ADOPTING STRICTER REGULATIONS THAN THE STATE'S, BUT EXCEPTIONS
22 WERE BUILT IN FOR REGULATIONS ADOPTED BEFORE 2011. BECAUSE THE
23 STATE'S REGULATIONS ARE NOT AS PROTECTIVE AS THE COUNTY'S,
24 STAFF RECOMMENDS WE MAINTAIN OUR EXISTING SMALL-SCALE WIND AND
25 TEMPORARY METEOROLOGICAL TOWER REGULATIONS ADOPTED IN THE

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1 CODE. THE NEW PROTECTIONS FOR BIRDS AND BATS ARE ALSO INCLUDED
2 IN THE REVISED ORDINANCE AS THESE DO NOT CONFLICT WITH STATE
3 LAW. OTHER SECTIONS OF THE REVISED ORDINANCE HAVE ALSO BEEN
4 REVISED FOR CONSISTENCY WITH THIS CHANGE. THE REVISED
5 ORDINANCE HAS BEEN TRANSMITTED TO THE BOARD FOR ADOPTION. WE
6 HAVE CONDUCTED OUTREACH TO KEY STAKEHOLDERS IN THE PROCESS.
7 THESE INCLUDE MANY RURAL TOWN COUNCILS IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY,
8 COMMUNITY GROUPS, INDUSTRY GROUPS, INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY OWNERS
9 AND ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATES. AN E.I.R. HAS BEEN PREPARED
10 PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, WITH
11 IMPACTS THAT COULD NOT BE MITIGATED TO LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT.
12 THE FINAL E.I.R. IS BEFORE YOU FOR CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION.
13 THIS ORDINANCE, WHICH APPLIES COUNTYWIDE, ESTABLISHES THE
14 COUNTY AS A LEADER IN SUPPORTING RENEWABLE ENERGY IN A
15 RESPONSIBLE MANNER BY, NUMBER ONE, PROMOTING SMALL-SCALE AND
16 STRUCTURE-MOUNTED PROJECTS AND NUMBER 2 SETTING A HIGH
17 STANDARD FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND COMMUNITY STEWARDSHIP FOR
18 UTILITY SCALE PROJECTS. THROUGH BASELINE STANDARDS, ADDITIONAL
19 REQUIREMENTS FOR UTILITY-SCALE PROJECTS CAN BE TAILORED TO THE
20 SPECIFIC PROPERTY AND COMMUNITY. THEREFORE, WE RECOMMEND YOUR
21 BOARD APPROVE THIS REVISED ORDINANCE INCLUDED AS ATTACHMENT 5
22 AS DESCRIBED IN THIS PRESENTATION AND TRANSMITTED AS THE
23 RECOMMENDED COORDINATES FOR BOARD ADOPTION. THIS CONCLUDES MY
24 PRESENTATION.
25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE ABOUT 50 OR MORE SPEAKERS. WE
2 HAVE A LARGE NUMBER IN ANTELOPE VALLEY WHO HAVE ALSO SIGNED
3 UP. SO WE'RE GOING TO LIMIT THE TESTIMONY TO 2 MINUTES EACH.
4 FIRST WE'LL CALL THE FIRST FOUR THAT ARE HERE WHO ARE FROM THE
5 ANTELOPE VALLEY WHO HAVE COME DOWN TODAY. AND THAT'S SUSAN
6 ZAHNTER. JEFF OLESH. DAN SILVER. KATHERINE ALLEN.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** MR. MAYOR, BEFORE WE START, I JUST WANT TO
9 COMMEND STAFF FOR HOSTING SOME MEETINGS OUT IN MY DISTRICT
10 REGARDING THIS ITEM. I APPRECIATE THAT. IT'S THE FIRST TIME I
11 THINK THAT WE REALLY HAD INPUT OUT IN OUR DISTRICT IN THAT
12 MANNER. SO I JUST WANT TO COMMEND YOU FOR THAT AND APPRECIATE
13 THE WORK THAT YOU'VE DONE ON THIS ITEM. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. JUST GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE
16 RECORD BEFORE YOU SPEAK. AND WE'LL START WITH YOU.

17

18 **SUSAN ZAHNTER:** MY NAME IS SUSAN ZAHNTER I REPRESENT THE THREE
19 POINTS-LIEBRE MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL AND THE ASSOCIATION OF
20 RURAL TOWN COUNCILS IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. I HAVE THE SUPPORT
21 OF ACTON, ANTELOPE ACRES, LEONA VALLEY, LAKE LOS ANGELES,
22 OSSO, QUARTZ HILL, THREE POINTS AND THE COMMUNITY GROUP
23 CONCERNED CITIZENS OF WEST ANTELOPE VALLEY. I'D LIKE TO ASK
24 YOU: WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF INDUSTRIAL-SCALE WIND TURBINES WERE
25 PROPOSED IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD? WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF SEVERAL

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1 LARGE-SCALE SOLAR PROJECTS SURROUNDED YOUR PROPERTY? YOU MAY
2 BE SHOCKED, DISMAYED, OUTRAGED OR EVEN FEEL HELPLESS TO ACT,
3 STEAMROLLED BY THE ENORMITY AND IMPACTS OF SUCH PROJECTS.
4 THAT'S HOW OUR RURAL RESIDENTS HAVE FELT SINCE THE
5 INTRODUCTION OF WIND AND SOLAR PROJECTS IN THE NORTH COUNTY.
6 THESE RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS AND EVEN THE SMALL-SCALE,
7 GROUND- MOUNTED ONES CAN AFFECT RESIDENTS' ENJOYMENT OF THEIR
8 PRIVATE PROPERTIES AND CHANGE THEIR EXPERIENCE OF PUBLIC LANDS
9 MEANT FOR ENJOYMENT, AS WELL. RESIDENTS IN COASTAL AREAS HAVE
10 LAND-USE DOCUMENTS THAT PRESERVE THEIR RURAL VILLAGES AND
11 VIEW- SHED. ANTELOPE VALLEY RESIDENTS FACE MITIGATION IN THE
12 FORM OF INADEQUATE LANDSCAPING AND BUFFER ZONES. HOW DO YOU
13 MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF 500-FOOT-TALL WIND TURBINES? WE KNOW
14 FROM EXPERIENCE IT ISN'T EASILY DONE FOR LARGE SOLAR, EITHER.
15 THE NORTH COUNTY IS THE TARGET FOR INDUSTRIAL-SCALE RENEWABLE
16 ENERGY THAT WILL CAUSE REDUCTION IN PROPERTY VALUES, INCREASED
17 NOISE, HEALTH IMPACTS LIKE VALLEY FEVER AND OTHERS CAUSED BY
18 FUGITIVE DUST, SHADOW FLICKER, LOW-FREQUENCY VIBRATION AND
19 VISUAL IMPACTS INCLUDING LOSS OF DARK NIGHT SKIES, RESULTING
20 IN WHAT CAN ONLY BE CALLED IMPAIRED LIVEABILITY. WE WORRY THAT
21 ALLOWING SMALL-SCALE 2-1/2 ACRE COVERAGE IN SOLAR PANELS OF 5-
22 ACRE LOTS WITHOUT REVIEW WILL IMPACT NEIGHBORING PROPERTIES
23 AND ADD CUMULATIVE IMPACTS TO RURAL COMMUNITIES WHO ALREADY
24 SUFFER LARGE SOLAR. MANY OF US LIVE IN FIRE-PRONE AREAS WHERE

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1 IT'S ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO USE FIRE-FIGHTING AIRCRAFT TO
2 PROTECT RURAL RESIDENTS, HIGHLY VALUED WATERSHED.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO SAY THE BOARD
5 IS SYMPATHETIC TO THOSE WHO ARE OPPOSING THIS. WE'VE ALL HAD
6 PERSONAL EXPERIENCE. SO THOSE WHO ARE TESTIFYING TODAY, YOU
7 HAVE A VERY SYMPATHETIC BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

8

9 **SUSAN ZAHNTER:** I APPRECIATE THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN AND MEETING
12 WITH ME EARLIER THIS MONTH AND MY DEPUTIES AND STAFF AND YOUR
13 INVOLVEMENT WITH THE TOWN COUNCILS, WHICH ARE SO VITAL TO THE
14 ANTELOPE VALLEY BUT ALSO THE OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY WHERE
15 WE DO HAVE TOWN COUNCILS. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.
16 AND PATIENCE.

17

18 **SUSAN ZAHNTER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP MARGARET RHYNE
21 YES, SIR.

22

23 **JEFF OLESH:** MY NAME IS JEFF OLESH. AS A LOS ANGELES RESIDENT
24 FOR SIX DECADES, I APPEAL UPON YOUR APPOINTED DUTIES, TO HEAR
25 MY VOICE REGARDING THE FORTHCOMING IMPLEMENTATION OF GREEN

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1 ENERGY REGULATIONS IN THE UNINCORPORATED LOS ANGELES COUNTY
2 AREA. SPECIFICALLY I REFER TO THE RENEWABLE ENERGY ORDINANCE
3 WHICH HAS COME BEFORE YOUR PURVIEW FORTHWITH. I AM TREASURER
4 AND ELECTED BOARD MEMBER OF THE LAKE ELIZABETH MUTUAL WATER
5 COMPANY AS WELL AS BOARD MEMBER FOR THE TRANSITIONING HABITAT
6 CONSERVANCY. IT IS MY HONOR AND PRIVILEGE TO BE ABLE TO SERVE
7 THESE TWO ENTITIES. THEY ARE BOTH UNPAID AND IMPORTANT AND
8 NECESSARY CIVIC DUTIES. GIVEN THIS AND THE CONCERNS THAT COME
9 BEFORE THEIR RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES, I HAVE A FEW
10 CONCERNS FOR YOU TO CONSIDER IN REGARDS TO THE RENEWABLE
11 ENERGY ORDINANCE AND ITS IMPACT UPON OUR RURAL COMMUNITY. I
12 WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND THANK YOU FOR INCLUDING THE BAN
13 ON RENEWABLE ENERGY IN THE S.E.A.S. I LIVE IN AN S.E.A. I
14 SUPPORT A BAN ON WIND ENERGY DEVELOPMENT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
15 DUE SIGNIFICANTLY TO FIRE PROTECTION CONCERNS AND ALSO TO THE
16 LOSS OF BIRD LIFE. MY PERSONAL EXPERIENCE DURING THE
17 POWERHOUSE FIRE WAS THERE WAS NO GROUND CREWS DEPLOYED AT MY
18 CABIN DURING THE FIRE. HOWEVER, THE AIR SUPPORT WAS ABLE TO
19 NOT ONLY SAVE MY HOME AND MUCH OF MY PROPERTY BUT ABLE TO SAVE
20 AT LEAST 800 ACRES OF PROTECTED LAND. HAD THERE BEEN WIND
21 TURBINES OF THE MAGNITUDE SUGGESTED, THESE AERIAL JOBS COULD
22 NOT HAVE OCCURRED AND A LOT MORE HOMES AND PROPERTIES WOULD
23 HAVE BEEN LOST. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FOR YOUR
24 IMMEDIATE ACTION IN SUPPORT OF AERIAL FIRE PROTECTION. TO
25 REITERATE, IF THE NEXT ERA BLUE-SKY PROJECT HAD BEEN ALLOWED

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1 BETWEEN 6 AND 8 WIND TURBINES WOULD HAVE BEEN SITED IN THE
2 IMMEDIATE SURROUNDING AREA OF MY HOME AND ANOTHER 90 OR SO
3 TOWERS IN THE WEST ANTELOPE VALLEY. MAKING SURE THAT AERIAL
4 FIRE SUPPRESSION IS AN UNAVAILABLE OPTION.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. AND ALSO AIR SUPPORT IS SO
7 VITAL. AND AGAIN WE JUST WANT TO COMMEND THE MEN AND WOMEN IN
8 THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, THE AEROSPACE BUREAU, AND ON THE GROUND
9 FORCES WHO HELPED. AND WE'RE SORRY THAT IN THAT STATION FIRE,
10 WE LOST TWO OF OUR FINEST. BUT IT WAS FORESTRY MADE THE
11 MISTAKE BY NOT HAVING AIR SUPPORT AT THE RIGHT TIME. BUT THANK
12 YOU.

13

14 **JEFF OLESH:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

17

18 **DAN SILVER:** GOOD MORNING, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, MEMBERS OF THE
19 BOARD. I'M DAN SILVER WITH ENDANGERED HABITATS LEAGUE. WE'RE
20 IN GENERAL SUPPORT, PARTICULARLY BECAUSE THE ORDINANCE
21 ENCOURAGES SMALL-SCALE SOLAR. OUR CONCERN IS MAINLY WITH THE
22 IMPACTS OF WIND TURBINES ON BIRDS AND BATS. THE KEY
23 DETERMINANT IN HOW MUCH OF THAT KILLING WILL OCCUR IS ACTUALLY
24 THE INITIAL SITING OF THE FACILITY. IF THEY'RE IN THE WRONG
25 PLACE, YOU CAN NEVER FIX THAT. WE'RE VERY PLEASED WITH THE

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1 ORDINANCE'S TREATMENT OF SMALL-SCALE TURBINES, SETBACKS AND
2 OTHER PROTECTIVE MEASURES ARE ACTUALLY STATE-OF-THE-ART. I
3 WOULD NOTE THAT THESE SAFEGUARDS FOR THE SMALL WIND TURBINES
4 ARE NOT SUFFICIENT FOR UTILITY SCALE. IF THE UTILITY-SCALE
5 TURBINES ARE BANNED IN THE COUNTY, AND WE DO NOT OBJECT TO
6 THAT BANNING, WE BELIEVE THAT WIND FARMS COULD STILL BE SITED,
7 FOR EXAMPLE, IN THE D.R.E.C.P. AREAS OUTSIDE OF THE COUNTY. IF
8 THEY ARE NOT BANNED, AND AGAIN WE DON'T OBJECT TO THE BAN, I
9 WOULD CALL ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT WE NEED SOME ADDITIONAL
10 SAFEGUARDS FOR THE LARGE UTILITY SCALE IF THEY GO FORWARD.
11 PARTICULARLY WE NEED SOME THRESHOLD SCREENING FOR INITIAL SITE
12 SELECTION WHICH IS NOT IN THE ORDINANCE. SO IF THIS CONCERN IS
13 NOT MOOTED BY THE TOTAL BANNING, WE DO RECOMMEND THAT THE
14 IMPLEMENTATION MANUAL, AS STAFF CONTINUES TO DEVELOP IT FOR
15 THE LARGE SCALE, INCLUDE INITIAL SITE SELECTION SCREENING SO
16 THAT VERY BAD LOCATIONS CAN BE WEEDED OUT AT THE OUTSET. AND
17 ALSO DURING THAT INITIAL SITE SELECTION SCREENING, APPROPRIATE
18 BIRD AND BAT STUDIES CAN BE UNDERTAKEN. I HOPE I'VE MADE
19 MYSELF CLEAR. IT'S A LITTLE COMPLICATED. BUT THANK YOU VERY
20 MUCH. A LOT OF GREAT WORK HAS GONE INTO THIS ORDINANCE. THANK
21 YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. SILVER. YES, MA'AM.

24 [LAUGHTER.]

25

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1 **KATHERINE ALLEN:** MY NAME IS KATHERINE ALLEN AND I'M WITH THE
2 FRIENDS OF ANTELOPE VALLEY OPEN SPACE. AND I CAME DOWN HERE TO
3 SUPPORT THE AMENDMENT FOR BANNING WIND TURBINES IN ANTELOPE
4 VALLEY, WELL, ALL OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I THINK THE ANTELOPE
5 VALLEY IN PARTICULAR HAS BEEN IMPACTED ENOUGH BY THE UTILITY
6 WIND FARMS THAT KERN COUNTY HAS OKAYED FOR THE NORTH PART OF
7 THE VALLEY. AND I WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE NOT TO SEE ANY
8 MORE SOUTH OF THE BORDER. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME IN
11 ANTELOPE VALLEY, AFTER OUR NEXT SPEAKER, I HAVE BETSY HASLETT,
12 JUDITH FUENTES, MARTY FOSTER. YES, MA'AM.

13

14 **MARGARET RHYNE:** HELLO. THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME SPEAK TO YOU
15 TODAY. MY NAME IS MARGARET RHYNE. I'M A 40-YEAR RESIDENT OF
16 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND 30-YEAR MEMBER OF THE SIERRA CLUB. AND
17 FOR 25 YEARS A VOLUNTEER AT THE ANTELOPE VALLEY CALIFORNIA
18 POPPY RESERVE. BUT THE PROUDEST JOB I HAVE RIGHT NOW IS BEING
19 A GRANDMOTHER OF FOUR PRECIOUS GRANDCHILDREN. WHEN I LOOK
20 FORWARD TO THE LIVES THAT I HOPE FOR THEM IN THE FUTURE, THE
21 BIGGEST FEAR I HAVE IS THE EFFECT THAT THEY WILL SUFFER
22 BECAUSE OF MANMADE CLIMATE CHANGE. I BELIEVE THIS IS A VERY
23 REAL AND SEVERE PROBLEM THAT WE ABSOLUTELY CAN DO SOMETHING
24 ABOUT. I COMMEND THE COUNTY FOR ALL THE HARD WORK THAT'S GONE
25 INTO THE RENEWABLE ENERGY ORDINANCE. I SEE PEOPLE WHO HAVE

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1 BEEN VERY PATIENT AND ANSWERED OUR QUESTIONS AND LISTENED TO
2 OUR CONCERNS. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THAT. I WANT TO SPEAK
3 TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE FRIENDS OF ANTELOPE VALLEY OPEN SPACE.
4 WE'D LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT FOR THE PROVISIONS IN THE
5 PROPOSED ORDINANCE THAT LIMIT GROUND DISTURBANCES, EXCLUDE
6 POWER TOWER AND PARABOLIC CONCENTRATOR-TYPE SOLAR PROJECTS,
7 REQUIRE GUYWIRE-FREE METEOROLOGICAL TOWERS AND IMPROVE SMALL
8 ANIMAL PERMEABLE FENCING REQUIREMENTS. WE ALSO APPRECIATE THE
9 EMPHASIS IN THE R.E.O. ON DISTRIBUTED SOLAR. WE APPLAUD THE
10 EXCLUSION ALREADY IN PLACE THAT WILL EXCLUDE WIND-- INDUSTRIAL
11 SCALE WIND AND SOLAR IN S.E.A.S, BUT WE BELIEVE THAT DOES NOT
12 GO FAR ENOUGH. WE SUPPORT THE BAN ON WIND, INDUSTRIAL WIND IN
13 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. THERE ARE, IN FACT, NO AREAS IN LOS
14 ANGELES COUNTY WHERE THE SEVERE DETRIMENTAL CONSEQUENCES FOR
15 RURAL RESIDENTS, RECREATIONAL RESOURCES, VALUED VIEW SHEDS AND
16 THREATENED SPECIES CAN BE AVOIDED IF INDUSTRIAL WIND IS
17 ALLOWED. AND, IN FACT, THE D.R.E.C., THE RECOMMENDED DRAFT OF
18 THE DESERT RENEWABLE ENERGY CONSERVATION PLAN LISTS NO AREAS
19 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT ARE DEVELOPMENT FOCUSED AREAS FOR
20 INDUSTRIAL WIND. INSTEAD, WE BELIEVE INCREASED INCENTIVES FOR
21 DISTRIBUTED SOLAR THAT PRODUCES ENERGY WHERE IT IS CONSUMED
22 COMBINED WITH A RENEWED EMPHASIS ON CONSERVATION CAN THE NEED
23 FOR CARBON EMISSIONS WITHOUT THE DESTROYING IMPORTANT NATURAL
24 AREAS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN. OKAY. WE
2 ARE GOING TO ANTELOPE VALLEY AND BETSY HASLETT HI, BETSY.

3

4 **BETSY HASLETT:** GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU,
5 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FOR SUPPORTING THE BAN. I HAVE BEEN A
6 RESIDENT HERE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FOR 34 YEARS AND WITH THE
7 POPPY RESERVE SINCE 1992, SO 23 YEARS. I AM VERY CONCERNED
8 ABOUT WHAT THE-- ALL THE INDUSTRIALIZED SOLAR AND WIND ARE
9 DOING TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. IT IS DEFINITELY DESTROYING OUR
10 RURAL ATMOSPHERE. PEOPLE THAT DO COME TO VISIT THE POPPY
11 RESERVE FOR THE TRANQUILITY AND THE BEAUTY OF OUR FLOWERS WILL
12 BE SHOCKED BY WHAT THEY SEE. I WAS JUST OUT THERE YESTERDAY
13 AFTER MAYBE TWO OR THREE MONTHS NOT BEING OUT THERE, AND I
14 KNOW I'VE BEEN VERY CONCERNED OF HOW MANY SOLAR FARMS HAVE
15 BEEN GOING UP, AND THEY WERE EVEN MORE THIS PAST WEEK. AND AS
16 I WAS LOOKING OUT ACROSS THE VALLEY, IT'S A HODGEPODGE OF
17 PROJECTS AND WIRES AND TALL EVERYTHING. IT'S JUST RUINING OUR
18 RURAL ENVIRONMENT. I FEEL SORRY FOR THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE OUT
19 THERE BECAUSE THEIR PROPERTIES, THEY WENT OUT TO A RURAL
20 ENVIRONMENT AND NOW THEY'RE BEING SURROUNDED BY ALL THESE
21 WIRES. WE'RE NOT BENEFITING FROM IT. THE UTILITY RATES ARE
22 GOING UP AND UP AND UP. AND IT'S RIDICULOUS. IT'S NOT PLEASANT
23 TO THE EYE. OUR STATE FLOWER HAS BEEN AROUND SINCE 1903 AND
24 THIS IS THE AREA THAT WE CHOSE TO PROTECT IT. THANK YOU AGAIN,
25 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. AND I HOPE THIS GOES THROUGH. THANK YOU

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1 FOR BEING SUPPORTIVE OF OUR CONCERNS HERE IN THE WESTERN
2 ANTELOPE VALLEY. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. JUDITH FUENTES. AND AFTER
5 JUDITH WILL BE MARTY FOSTER.

6

7 **JUDITH FUENTES:** MY NAME IS JUDITH FUENTES, I'M A RESIDENT OF
8 ANTELOPE ACRES. I HOPE THE SUPERVISORS READ OUR LETTERS ON THE
9 R.E.O., EVEN THOUGH WE FORGOT TO INCLUDE THE PROJECT NUMBER.
10 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE, FOR ACKNOWLEDGING THAT YOU
11 RECEIVED YOURS. THE ORDINANCE COVERS ALL OF L.A. COUNTY BUT
12 DOES NOT GIVE ENOUGH CONSIDERATION TO THE COUNTY'S DIVERSITY
13 OF THE POPULATION, THE CLIMATE, THE TERRAIN, INCLUDING THE
14 MOUNTAINS THE WOODLANDS, THE OCEAN, THE DESERTS, THE BUILT-UP
15 PAVED AREAS IN THE OPEN SPACE LAND. WIND TURBINES NEED TO BE
16 BANNED HERE. MASSIVE UTILITY-SCALE INDUSTRIAL SOLAR FACILITIES
17 AND APPURTENANCES WILL CREATE GIGANTIC FOOTPRINTS LASTING
18 ALMOST A HALF CENTURY OR MORE. CONSTRUCTION OF LARGE AND
19 SMALL-SCALE SOLAR PLANTS WILL DISTURB ACRES AND ACRES OF SOIL
20 CAUSING POOR AIR QUALITY AND ENFORCEMENT PROBLEMS. THERE WOULD
21 BE A LACK OF PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF PROJECTS ENTRUSTING THAT A
22 MINOR USE PERMIT IS ENOUGH ACCORDING TO THE ORDINANCE. INSTEAD
23 OF MAKING NICE BY ALLOWING ALL RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS IN A
24 TWO-ZONE PLAN, PROMOTE CONSERVATION AND PRODUCTION OF

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1 RENEWABLE ENERGY AT ITS SOURCE OF USE ON RESIDENCES AND
2 BUILDINGS. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MARTY FOSTER? TO BE
5 FOLLOWED BY KATHLEEN IRENTI? YES, SIR.

6

7 **MARTY FOSTER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS MARTY FOSTER. I'VE
8 LIVED OUT HERE FOR OVER 30 YEARS. AND I HAVEN'T A WHOLE LOT TO
9 SAY OTHER THAN I DON'T WANT TO SEE ANY MORE COMMERCIAL SOLAR
10 PANEL PROJECTS OR WIND GENERATION PROJECTS IN THE WEST
11 ANTELOPE VALLEY. AND I AGREE WITH THE FACT THAT LET'S GO TO
12 THE POINT OF VIEWS AND PUT THESE SOLAR PANELS ON OTHER
13 PEOPLE'S ROOFS IN THE CITY. THERE'S PLENTY OF ROOFS AND
14 CARPORTS TO PUT THIS STUFF ON. AND LEAVE THE COUNTRY ALONE.
15 THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. KATHLEEN IRENTI. AND
18 THEN FOLLOWED BY VANCE KIRKPATRICK. GOOD MORNING.

19

20 **KATHLEEN TRINITY:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M KATHLEEN
21 TRINITY FROM ACTON. I'M EXTREMELY DISTURBED AND DISAPPOINTED
22 THAT MANY OF THE COUNTY'S LAND-USE ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS
23 ARE BEING WEAKENED OR THROWN OUT. THESE REGULATIONS SHOULD
24 CONTINUE TO BE DESIGNED TO PROTECT RESIDENTS AND RESOURCES. I
25 REALIZE THAT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HAS MANDATED CERTAIN

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1 QUOTAS FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY, BUT THE DRAFT ORDINANCE DOES NOT
2 ADEQUATELY RESPECT OR PROTECT OUR RESIDENTS', WILDLIFE AND THE
3 HABITAT OF ACTON. ACTON IS ALREADY IMPACTED BY TRANSMISSION
4 LINES AND TOWERS AS WELL AS BY METROLINK. THEN OF COURSE THERE
5 IS THE COMING HIGH-SPEED RAIL. NOW THE COUNTY WANTS TO PERMIT
6 UTILITY-SCALE WIND TURBINES IN OUR HILLS AND MOUNTAINS AND
7 DEPRIVE RESIDENTS OF THE POWER TO CALL FOR A HEARING ON EVEN
8 SMALL-SCALE WIND TURBINES. HOW MUCH MORE CAN AN EQUESTRIAN,
9 NATURE-LOVING COMMUNITY TAKE? WIND TURBINES WILL, ONE,
10 INDUSTRIALIZE ACTON, MARRING THE PEACEFUL VISTAS THAT ARE SO
11 MUCH A PART OF LIVING IN A MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY. THEY WILL,
12 SECOND, COMPLICATE EFFORTS OF WATER-DROPPING HELICOPTERS.
13 THREE, THEY WILL SEVERELY IMPACT OUR WILDLIFE AND MIGRATORY
14 WILDLIFE, ESPECIALLY OUR MANY BIRD SPECIES AND THE ALREADY
15 DIMINISHING BAT COLONIES. JUST BECAUSE THERE ARE THERMAL WINDS
16 DOES NOT MEAN IT IS APPROPRIATE TO EXPLOIT THEM IN CERTAIN
17 AREAS. ACTON IS HOME TO A LARGE NUMBER OF RED-TAILED HAWKS WHO
18 RELY ON THE THERMAL WINDS AND WHO ARE DRAWN TO THE RODENTS WHO
19 TEND TO CONGREGATE UNDER TOWERS. 573,000 BIRDS PER YEAR ARE
20 KILLED BY WIND TURBINES. CANADA GEESE FLY RIGHT OVER ACTON AND
21 ON OVER TO THE SIERRA POLONES. I HAVE SEEN THEM. WIND TURBINES
22 IN ACTON'S HILLS AND MOUNTAINS WILL SURELY SOME DAY TAKE
23 MULTIPLE LIVES AT A TIME. HOW CAN THE VIEW BE PEACEFUL,
24 KNOWING OF THE CARNAGE? SWALLOWS, LARKS, MOURNING DOVES AND SO
25 VERY MANY MORE WILL BE ENDANGERED. YES, RENEWABLE ENERGY IS

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1 SOMETHING WE NEED TO DEVELOP. BUT IN OUR HASTE TO HAND THE
2 TASK OVER TO DEVELOPERS AND CONTRACTORS. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** VANCE KIRKPATRICK AND THEN CYNTHIA
5 BONANNO. IS VANCE THERE? VANCE IS NOT THERE?

6

7 **CYNTHIA BONNANO:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. CYNTHIA, IS VINCE
8 KIRKPATRICK THERE?

9

10 **CYNTHIA BONNANO:** HE LEFT.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU SPEAK AND THEN VANCE AFTER YOU.

13

14 **CYNTHIA BONNANO:** I'M OPPOSED TO WIND TURBINES FOR THE REASONS
15 EVERYBODY ELSE SAID BUT ALSO I HAVE A VIEW OF THE 170TH STREET
16 WEST TURBINES IN KERN COUNTY. AND FROM THE MONTHS BETWEEN
17 SEPTEMBER AND FEBRUARY, WE HAVE A LOT OF HIGH PRESSURE WITH NO
18 WIND IN THE VALLEY. AND THESE, THEY PRODUCE VERY LITTLE POWER.
19 AS WELL, I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT WHEN THE WIND DOES BLOW EXTRA
20 HARD, WE HAVE A STORM COMING THROUGH, I CAN SEE ALL THE
21 BLOWING DUST COMING OFF OF THE SOLAR PROJECTS. SO WHAT
22 HAPPENS, THEY RUN OUT WITH THEIR WATER TRUCKS, WASTING WATER,
23 LAYING DOWN THE DUST, WHICH ONLY ENCOURAGES THE GROWTH OF
24 VALLEY FEVER. IT'S REALLY KIND OF SAD BECAUSE THE WHOLE
25 PURPOSE OF RENEWABLE GREEN ENERGY IS TO PROTECT THE PLANET AND

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1 IT'S DESTROYING THE VALLEY. AND I SPENT THE FOURTH OF JULY
2 DOWN IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND NOTICED NOWHERE WAS THERE
3 ANY ROOFTOP SOLAR GOING ON. WHY ARE WE BEING EXPECTED TO POWER
4 THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA? WE SHOULD NOT BE. ROOFTOP SOLAR, ALL
5 GREEN ENERGY SHOULD BE AT THE SOURCE WHERE IT IS MOST
6 EFFICIENT. AND ANOTHER THING I'VE NOTICED, THE INDUSTRY LIKES
7 TO TOUT JOBS. I CAN WALK INTO, DRIVE INTO ANY WIND FARM: NOT A
8 SOUL AROUND. YOU CAN DRIVE PAST ANY SOLAR FARM ANY TIME OF
9 DAY. GHOST TOWNS. NOT A SOUL WORKING. SO THE INDUSTRY IS VERY
10 MUCH SKEWING THE NUMBERS. THE CONSTRUCTION IS VERY SHORT-
11 LIVED. AND I REALLY HOPE THE COUNTY THINKS ABOUT WHAT'S GOING
12 ON HERE. AND WE NEED TO BE PROMOTING MORE ROOFTOP SOLAR WHERE
13 IT ALL BELONGS. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. VANCE
16 KIRKPATRICK? HE'S GONE. FRANK SERAFINE? JUDY WATSON. GO.
17 YOU'RE ON. SPEAK.

18

19 **FRANK SERAFINE:** HI, MY NAME IS FRANK SERAFINE. I WANT TO THANK
20 MR. ANTONOVICH FOR PUTTING THIS TOGETHER. I OWN AND OPERATE
21 HONEY HILLS FARM, WHICH IS LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SLOPE OF
22 ANTELOPE VALLEY. I HAVE THE VIEW OF THE ENTIRE VALLEY FROM MY
23 FARM. I'M A TOTAL ADVOCATE OF INDEPENDENT RENEWABLE ENERGY. I
24 HAVE SOLAR AND WIND THAT POWER MY FARM, I'M OFF THE GRID.
25 HOWEVER, I TOTALLY SUPPORT THE BAN AGAINST THIS LARGE-SCALE

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1 INDUSTRIAL POWER PLANT MOVEMENT THAT'S GOING ON IN ANTELOPE
2 VALLEY. I'M WATCHING THIS FROM MY PROPERTY. IT'S AMAZING.
3 THEY'RE SETTING A PRECEDENT FOR TAKING OVER THE ENTIRE VALLEY.
4 FIRST I SEE 130 ACRES. THEN I SEE 230 ACRES. NOW I SEE A
5 PROPOSAL FOR 1200 ACRES. ALONG THE AQUEDUCT? THE AQUEDUCT
6 SHOULD BE AND HAS BEEN PUT THERE FOR THE REASONS OF
7 AGRICULTURE. OUR ENTIRE VALLEY IS ZONED AGRICULTURE. WHY ARE
8 WE CONVERTING THIS BEAUTIFUL LAND THAT WAS ZONED THIS WAY FROM
9 OUR FOREFATHERS INTO INDUSTRIAL POWER PLANTS? THIS LAND SHOULD
10 BE USED AND HAS A MINIMAL IMPACT AS FARMS. WE'RE RIGHT NEXT TO
11 THE AQUEDUCT. THIS IS OUR WATER SOURCE FOR FUTURE FARMING. AND
12 THAT'S WHAT IT SHOULD BE USED FOR. SO I AM IN SUPPORT OF
13 BANNING ALL SOLAR AND WIND INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS IN ANTELOPE
14 VALLEY. AND AS EVERYBODY SAID HERE TODAY, BRING IT TO THE
15 SOURCE. THAT'S WHAT I'M DOING. AND I THINK EVERYBODY ELSE
16 SHOULD, TOO. WALMART, COSTCO, BEST BUY, PUT THEM ON THE ROOFS.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. RICHARD HAGUE. AND
19 THEN GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD? GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE
20 RECORD? YOUR NAME?

21

22 **JUDY WATSON:** TALKING TO ME?

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

25

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1 **JUDY WATSON:** MY NAME IS JUDY WATSON. I'M FROM CONCERNED
2 CITIZENS OF WEST ANTELOPE VALLEY. WE DON'T WANT TO BE IN THE
3 SAME SITUATION AS THE UNFORTUNATE MOJAVE RESIDENTS WHOSE VIEW
4 IS A GIANT WIND TURBINE, SHADOW FLICKERS ON THEIR HOMES, RED
5 LIGHTS FLASHING IN THEIR WINDOWS AT NIGHT. DEFLATED HOME
6 VALUES AND SOUND OF PROPELLERS WITHIN EARSHOT. THEIR
7 INVESTMENTS, RETIREMENT HOME, COUNTRY LIVING WAY OF LIFE AND
8 THEIR VIEW HAVE ALL BEEN LOST. THEY MOVED OUT OF TOWN FOR ALL
9 THE REASONS I MENTIONED. ONCE THE MAJOR PROJECT WAS IN FULL
10 OPERATION, THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD WAS INFESTED WITH RODENTS,
11 SNAKES, GROUND SQUIRRELS, LIZARDS, SWARMING IN THE STREETS
12 FROM THE GROUND VIBRATION OF LARGE TURBINES. THEIR LIVES HAVE
13 BEEN TOTALLY DISRUPTED FOREVER. MANY TRIED TO SELL BUT NO ONE
14 WOULD WANT TO BUY. NO ONE WANTED TO BUY NEAR A WIND TURBINE.
15 THEIR HOME VALUES HAVE DROPPED DRAMATICALLY. THEIR INVESTMENT
16 WAS LOST. WE OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY DON'T WANT THIS HAPPENING
17 TO US. FIRSTHAND I HAVE WITNESSED HOW WIND TURBINES HAVE
18 HANDICAPPED FIRE FIGHTING EFFORTS IN THE KINGS CANYON
19 RESIDENCE. SAW THIS TAKE PLACE FIRSTHAND IN THE POWERHOUSE
20 FIRE. IF WIND TURBINES HAD BEEN IN PLACE IN OUR MOUNTAINS,
21 WATER AND FIRE RETARDANT DROPS COULD NOT HAVE BEEN TAKEN PLACE
22 AT THE 30-FOOT LEVEL TO DOUSE FLAMES HEADED FOR OUR HOMES.
23 SEVERAL YEARS AGO WE FOUGHT THIS SAME BATTLE AGAINST TWO
24 INDUSTRIAL-SIZE WIND TURBINE PROJECTS RIGHT THERE IN YOUR
25 HEARING ROOM, AND WE THE PEOPLE WON OUR CASE. NO WIND TURBINE

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1 PROJECTS WERE BUILT ON PORTAL RIDGE. PLEASE HAVE THE PRESENCE
2 OF MIND TO MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICE ONCE AGAIN AS YOU DID THEN.
3 BAN ALL INDUSTRIAL WIND TURBINES. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WELL THANK YOU. IS RICHARD HAGUE
6 THERE? RICHARD? AND THEN MERRYLOU NELSON WILL FOLLOW RICHARD.
7 GOOD MORNING, SIR.

8

9 **RICHARD HAGUE:** SUPERVISOR, THE LAUGHTER THAT YOU MAY HAVE
10 HEARD IN THE ROOM IS BECAUSE OF THE WAY YOU PRONOUNCED MY
11 NAME. MY NAME IS RICHARD HAGUE. MY WIFE KAY, OUR CHILDREN AND
12 I MOVED INTO PALMDALE IN 1957. IN 1976 AFTER THE LAST OF OUR
13 CHILDREN GRADUATED FROM PALMDALE HIGH SCHOOL, KAY AND I MOVED
14 TO OUR PRESENT HOME IN THE FOOTHILLS OF THE SOUTHERN EDGE OF
15 THE WESTERN ANTELOPE VALLEY. WE CHOSE RURAL LIVING BECAUSE OF
16 THE BEAUTY, PEACE AND TRANQUILITY WE FOUND OUT HERE. MANY OF
17 THE HUNDREDS OF FAMILIES LIVING IN THE WESTERN VALLEY CHOSE TO
18 LIVE HERE I BELIEVE FOR SIMILAR REASONS. WE HAD A MAGNIFICENT
19 VIEW OF THE TEHACHAPIS FROM OUR HOME AND COULD SEE PORTIONS OF
20 THE COMMUNITIES OF ROSEMONT AND MOJAVE ACROSS THE KERN COUNTY
21 LINE. A FEW YEARS AGO A BLIGHT BEGAN TAKING OVER THAT VIEW.
22 THE BEAUTY, PEACE AND TRANQUILITY WAS BEING SERIOUSLY
23 DISTURBED BY FIELDS OF MASSIVE WIND TURBINES ALLOWED IN KERN
24 COUNTY. THE COMMUNITY OF MOJAVE AND THE SOUTHERN SLOPES OF THE
25 TEHACHAPIS WERE BEING COVERED BY THESE GIANT MACHINES. OUR

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1 FRIENDS IN EUROPE AND AUSTRALIA, REALIZING THAT THESE MACHINES
2 DON'T COME NEAR THEIR CLAIMS OF ELECTRICITY AND REQUIRE
3 CONSTANT CARE, ARE WITHDRAWING THEIR SUPPORT FOR THEM. JUST
4 DRIVE THROUGH MOJAVE AND SURROUNDING MOUNTAIN SLOPES TO SEE
5 WHAT KIND OF CARE IS BEING ASKED OR TAKEN. AND AERIAL FIRE
6 FIGHTING IS IMPOSSIBLE. WE ARE ADMITTEDLY RURAL. RESIDENTS OF
7 WESTERN A.V. AND WE CHOSE TO LIVE HERE FOR MANY REASONS. OUR
8 HOMES AND AREA COULD BE EFFECTIVELY DESTROYED BY VAST FIELDS
9 OF WIND TURBINES. WE'RE ALSO CITIZENS OF OUR GREAT L.A.
10 COUNTY. PLEASE DON'T ALLOW THIS BLIGHT OUT HERE. PLACE A
11 PERMANENT BAN ON INDUSTRIAL WIND TURBINES IN OUR COUNTY. THANK
12 YOU VERY MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. CURTIS MORAN? CURTIS
15 MORAN? DENYSE STEVENS WILL BE NEXT. YES, SIR.

16

17 **CURTIS MORAN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR PROPOSING A
18 BAN ON INDUSTRIAL SCALE WIND PROJECTS IN OUR AREA. I SUPPORT
19 THAT BAN. FURTHERMORE, FOR ALL THE SUPERVISORS, PLEASE BE
20 AWARE THAT IN THIS RENEWABLE ENERGY ORDINANCE, THERE IS A
21 PROVISION FOR A MINOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. IF THIS WAS
22 ALLOWED TO GO THROUGH, IT WILL GREATLY REDUCE SIGNAGE AND
23 NOTIFICATION FOR RESIDENTS OF SMALL PROJECTS GOING INTO THE
24 AREA. PLUS WE WILL NOT HAVE A CHANCE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING IN
25 MANY CASES TO PROTEST THESE. AN EXAMPLE WOULD BE A SMALL SOLAR

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1 FIELD WITHIN 50 FEET OF A NEIGHBOR'S HOUSE. THAT IS NOT A GOOD
2 THING. ONCE AGAIN. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. DENYSE STEPHENS? AND
5 SANDRA MCCRAE WILL BE NEXT.

6

7 **DENYSE STEPHENS:** I'M DENYSE STEPHENS.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, YOU'RE ON.

10

11 **DENYSE STEPHENS:** I'M SURE YOU'RE ALL AWARE OF THE PROS AND
12 CONS OF WIND TURBINES TO NAME A FEW: LACK OF THE ABILITY TO
13 FIGHT FIRES FROM THE SKY, THEY ARE UNSIGHTLY, THEY ARE NOISY,
14 WITH DRONING NOISES CONSTANTLY. THEY BLINK RED LIGHTS ALL
15 NIGHT LONG. THEIR SHADOWS CASTING ACROSS THE LANDSCAPE.
16 SOMETHING ELSE OF THE ALL AFOREMENTIONED WILL TAKE AWAY MY
17 RIGHT OF QUIET ENJOYMENT, OF WHICH I MOVED OUT OF THE CITY
18 FOR. I'M A NEW RESIDENT TO THE KINGS CANYON AREA. MY FAMILY
19 AND I MOVED OUT TO THE EDGE OF THE CITY FOR PEACE AND QUIET.
20 THIS IS WHERE MY HUSBAND AND I PLAN TO RETIRE. WE'VE BEEN
21 DREAMING OF MOVING OUT TO THIS AREA FOR ABOUT 10 YEARS AND
22 HAVE FINALLY MADE IT. IT IS HEAVEN. BUT IF THE WINDMILLS COME,
23 THIS WILL TAKE AWAY OUR HEAVEN, OUR DREAM. PLEASE STAND UP FOR
24 THE RESIDENTS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND DENY THE WINDMILLS ACCESS
25 TO BUILD HERE. THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL PLACES IN

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1 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TO SEE. PLEASE DON'T ALLOW ANY MORE OF IT
2 TO BE DESTROYED BY ADDING ANY MORE WINDMILLS OR SOLAR PANELS.
3 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SANDRA MCCRAE?
6 AND THEN DAVID HALL WILL BE THE LAST ONE FROM THE ANTELOPE
7 VALLEY THAT HAS SIGNED UP. AND GOOD MORNING, SANDRA.

8

9 **MERRYLOU NELSON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MERRYLOU NELSON. AND
10 I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'LL SAY THAT TO SANDRA NEXT. I'LL SAY
13 GOOD MORNING, MERRYLOU

14

15 **MERRYLOU NELSON:** FIRST I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
16 PROPOSING THE PROHIBITION ON UTILITY SCALE WIND TURBINES. I AM
17 VERY MUCH IN FAVOR OF THAT. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK VERY BRIEFLY
18 ABOUT THE SITUATION WITH VALLEY FEVER AND DUST MITIGATION. AS
19 YOU WELL KNOW, FROM THE YEAR 2000 TO 2011, THERE WAS A 545
20 PERCENT INCREASE IN REPORTED VALLEY FEVER CASES IN LOS ANGELES
21 COUNTY. THERE ALSO WAS IN 2011 A FEDERAL CASE THAT CAME UP. A
22 JUDGE CAUSED 2600 CALIFORNIA INMATES TO BE TRANSFERRED OUT OF
23 HIGH-RISK PRISON SITUATIONS. AND IN THE YEAR 2003-4, THE TAFT
24 CORRECTIONAL FACILITY IN KERN COUNTY EXPERIENCED 88 CASES OF
25 VALLEY FEVER. THE ABINAL 30, THE PLEASANT VALLEY, 60. SO THE

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1 STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH DEPARTMENT HAS TAKEN THIS VERY
2 SERIOUSLY. I WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT THERE IS ONLY--
3 THERE IS NO VALLEY FEVER SOIL TESTING REQUIRED IN THE PROPOSED
4 RENEWABLE ENERGY ORDINANCE OR IN THE E.I.R. AND THAT CHAPTER
5 12.32, WHICH IS THE CONTROL OF HAZARDOUS DUST CONDITIONS,
6 DOESN'T GO FAR ENOUGH TO RESTRICT THE ACTUAL CAUSES OF SOME OF
7 THE PROBLEMS. I BELIEVE THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH
8 DEPARTMENT AND THE A.V.A.Q.M.D. NEED TO BE MORE DIRECTLY
9 INVOLVED. AND THAT WE NEED SOIL TESTING REQUIREMENTS. AND I
10 REFER YOU TO DR. LAUER FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
11 BAKERSFIELD WHO HAS PRODUCED AN ANALYSIS OF SOIL SAMPLES FROM
12 SIX FUTURE SOIL PROJECTS AND FOUND VALLEY FEVER SPORES. AND
13 THE REPORTS ARE BEING FORWARDED TO MR. ANTONOVICH. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. SANDRA MCCRAE? I'LL SAY
16 GOOD MORNING TO YOU NOW. YOU GOT IT TWICE.

17

18 **SANDRA MCCRAE:** GOOD MORNING. SANDRA MCCRAE. AND I'M WITH
19 CONCERNED CITIZENS OF WEST ANTELOPE VALLEY, KINGS CANYON. AND
20 WE'VE BEEN HERE 18 YEARS AND MOVED HERE FROM ORANGE COUNTY,
21 L.A. COUNTY, SUBURBIA TO LIVE IN A MORE RURAL AREA AND RETIRE
22 HERE AND BUILD A HOME FROM SCRATCH. AND IT'S JUST AMAZING THE
23 CHANGES THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN THE TIME THAT WE'VE BEEN
24 HERE. I DO SUPPORT THE BAN ON ANY FUTURE INDUSTRIAL WIND
25 TURBINES OR SOLAR. AND I AGREE WITH EVERYONE THAT HAS SPOKEN

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1 SO FAR THAT DOES NOT SUPPORT THESE PROJECTS. WE CAN'T CONTINUE
2 THIS PATTERN THAT'S ALREADY STARTED. WE HOPE YOU'LL BE OUR
3 HEROES. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. DAVID HALL AND THEN
6 THE LAST SPEAKER WILL BE BARBARA HOFFMAN. DAVID HALL?

7

8 **DAVID HALL:** GOOD MORNING.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GOOD MORNING.

11

12 **DAVID HALL:** FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISORS FOR
13 LISTENING. MY NAME IS DAVID HALL. DELSHIRE, CALIFORNIA. JUST
14 OVER THE RIDGE FROM LAKE HUGHES, LAKE ELIZABETH. I'M THE
15 PRESIDENT OF THE LAKES COMMUNITY CENTER IN LAKE HUGHES AND
16 HAVE BEEN FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS. FOR YEARS LARGE POWER
17 PRODUCING COMPANIES HAVE BEEN STEAM ROLLING OUR LOCAL CITIZENS
18 APPARENTLY WITHOUT ONE THOUGHT ABOUT THE PERMANENT DAMAGE
19 BEING DONE TO THE WEST VALLEY. INSTEAD OF SEEING A BEAUTIFUL
20 EXPANSE OF OPEN DESERT LIKE WAS HERE WHEN I MOVED HERE A MERE
21 8 YEARS AGO, WE ARE NOW FACING HUNDREDS OF ACRES OF BRIGHT,
22 REFLECTIVE GLASS. NOTHING GROWS IN ITS SHADE. NO ANIMALS LIVE
23 UNDER IT. JUST DUST AND LOTS OF IT. AND NOW THE SAME ENERGY
24 COMPANY WANTS TO BRING EVEN MORE DESTRUCTION TO OUR COUNTY BY
25 INSTALLING GIANT BIRD-KILLING, PROPERTY VALUE-DESTROYING,

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1 UGLY, DANGEROUS WIND TURBINES. HAVEN'T THEY DONE ENOUGH DAMAGE
2 TO PEOPLE AND THE NATURE OF OUR COMMUNITIES OF ROSEMONT,
3 TEHACHAPI, AND ALL? HAVE YOU DRIVEN THROUGH YOU THE STEEL
4 FOREST? DID YOU SEE ANY BIRDS? DO YOU THINK WE NEED MORE STEEL
5 STALAGMITE FORESTS HERE IN THE A.V.? WE THE CITIZENS SAY NO.
6 PLEASE STOP. BUT IT IS NOT ONLY WHAT THEY'RE DOING TO THE
7 PEOPLE'S LIVES WHO CALL A.V .HOME. IT'S THE DAMAGE THEY CAUSE
8 TO AERIAL WILDLIFE, ESPECIALLY BIRDS AND ESPECIALLY RAPTORS.
9 THESE BIRDS HUNT BY LOOKING DOWN, NOT UP. THEY HAVE DON'T EVEN
10 SEE THESE KILLING BLADES. THESE HUGE TURBINE BLADES LOOKS LIKE
11 THEY'RE BARELY MOVING. IT'S AN ILLUSION FOR PEOPLE AND BIRDS.
12 ACTUALLY THESE BLADE TIPS ARE SPINNING UP TO 200 MILES PER
13 HOUR. THE BIRDS HAVE NO IDEA AND THEY HAVE NO CHANCE WHEN THEY
14 GET CLOSE. THEY ARE RIPPED OUT OF THE AIR AND KILLED BY THE
15 SCORE. NO ONE REALLY KNOWS HOW MANY BIRDS ARE KILLED EVERY
16 YEAR BY WIND TURBINES. MANY SAY IT'S IN THE MILLIONS, THE
17 TALLER THE TURBINES, THE MORE LIKELY THEY ARE TO KILL. NO ONE
18 KNOWS BECAUSE THE POWER COMPANIES CHEAT. THEY ONLY COUNT THE
19 DEAD BIRDS THAT FALL DIRECTLY UNDER THE BLADES, NOT WHERE THEY
20 ACTUALLY END UP. THEY NEED PLAUSIBLE DENIABILITY SO THEY DON'T
21 WANT TO KNOW. SO THE QUESTION IS WHY ANYONE WOULD EVEN
22 CONSIDER PUTTING THESE THINGS UP? HAVEN'T WE BEEN PUNISHED
23 ENOUGH? ONE SCENIC WEST VALLEY IS ALREADY KILLED BY HIGH LINE
24 WIRES AND DUST.
25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU SAID YOUR POINT. THANK YOU VERY
2 MUCH. MISS HOFFMAN? AND THEN AFTER MISS HOFFMAN, WE HAVE LINDA
3 CASTRO, ROBERT LUCAS, ILEENE ANDERSON AND JOHN WALSH WHO WILL
4 BE SPEAKING FROM L.A. COUNTY HALL OF ADMINISTRATION. YES,
5 MA'AM.

6

7 **BARBARA HOFFMAN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BARBARA HOFFMAN. AND
8 I'M A RESIDENT OF MOJAVE. AND I'M HERE BECAUSE I WANT TO SPEAK
9 UP FOR WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN MOJAVE AND HOW IT'S GOING TO
10 AFFECT WHAT WILL HAPPEN IN YOUR COUNTY. I HAVE PERSONALLY GONE
11 AND SPOKEN IN FRONT OF SUPERVISORS FOR AT LEAST BETWEEN 8 AND
12 10 PROJECTS. AND OF COURSE THEY'VE ALL BEEN APPROVED. IF YOU
13 WOULD PLEASE COME TO MOJAVE. DRIVE THROUGH EVEN AT NIGHT. I
14 KNOW ALL THE THINGS THAT PEOPLE HAVE TALKED ABOUT, THEY'RE
15 ABSOLUTELY TRUE. BUT AT NIGHT YOU WILL GET A RUMBLING SOUND
16 THAT WILL GO THROUGH YOUR BUILDINGS, THAT WILL GO THROUGH THE
17 GROUND. AND IT'S LIKE A FREIGHT TRAIN THAT NEVER, NEVER-- IT'S
18 THERE BUT IT NEVER ACTUALLY GOES BY. THERE'S SO MANY THINGS TO
19 SAY. AND I'M HERE BECAUSE CERTAINLY YOUR PROGRAMS AREN'T GOING
20 TO BE IN MY BACKYARD BUT I CARE THAT THEY'RE IN YOUR BACKYARD.
21 AND I JUST REALLY REQUEST YOU TO SUPPORT THIS BAN. AND IT'S
22 THE BEST THING THAT YOU CAN DO FOR THIS COUNTY. AND MY HUSBAND
23 AND I ALSO, BECAUSE WE FELT SO BAD FOR WHAT HAPPENED TO US, WE
24 MADE A VIDEO WITH OUR OWN SAVINGS THAT WE'RE WILLING TO

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1 DEFINITELY JUST GIVE FREE TO ANYBODY ABOUT OUR SAGA AND WHAT
2 OUR STORY IS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YES,
5 MA'AM.

6

7 **LINDA CASTRO:** MY NAME IS LINDA CASTRO. I LIVE IN GRENADA
8 HILLS. I'M ALSO A STAFF MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA WILDERNESS
9 COALITION. AND WE SUPPORT BOTH CLEAN ENERGY AND CONSERVATION.
10 WE SUPPORT CLEAN ENERGY TO REDUCE CARBON EMISSIONS AND TO
11 TRANSITION OFF OF CLIMATE- DISRUPTING FUELS. BUT RENEWABLE
12 ENERGY NEEDS TO BE DESIGNED AND SITED TO PROTECT SENSITIVE
13 HABITATS, OUR WATER AND OUR VIEW SHEDS. THE ORDINANCE DIRECTS
14 GROUND-MOUNTED, UTILITY-SCALE DEVELOPMENT AWAY FROM THE
15 COUNTY'S MOST SENSITIVE AREAS BY PROHIBITING DEVELOPMENT IN
16 S.E.A.S, OPEN SPACE AND WATERSHED. WHILE THIS IS A POSITIVE
17 STEP TOWARDS BALANCING RENEWABLE ENERGY AND CONSERVATION, THE
18 S.E.A.S NEED TO BE DESIGNED TO IDENTIFY AND PROTECT THE MOST
19 SENSITIVE RESOURCES IN THE AREA, SUCH AS WILDLIFE CORRIDORS.
20 THE SCALED-BACK S.E.A. DESIGNATIONS ADOPTED IN THE ANTELOPE
21 VALLEY PLAN DO NOT ACHIEVE THIS GOAL. THE COUNTY NEEDS TO
22 REDESIGN THE S.E.A.S TO PROTECT SENSITIVE RESOURCES. WE ALSO
23 SUPPORT THE COUNTY'S FOCUS ON SMALL-SCALE AND STRUCTURE-
24 MOUNTED PROJECTS. WE SUPPORT THE COUNTY'S GOAL TO ENCOURAGE
25 THIS TYPE OF GENERATION TO EASE IMPACTS ON OUR PRISTINE PUBLIC

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1 LANDS. HOWEVER, GROUND-MOUNTED PROJECTS COULD HAVE DIRECT AND
2 CUMULATIVE IMPACTS. AND THESE IMPACTS SHOULD BE ASSESSED AND
3 MITIGATED. FOR THAT REASON, WE RECOMMEND THAT GROUND-MOUNTED
4 PROJECTS BE PROCESSED UNDER A MINOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
5 RATHER THAN A ZONING CONFORMANCE REVIEW. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR
10 JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL TWEETING AT @HOLLYWOODDEMS. WELL, YOU
11 KNOW, THE ULTIMATE PROBLEM HERE IS OVERPOPULATION, OKAY? YOU
12 HAVE A BIG SIGN OUT THERE THAT IF L.A. COUNTY WAS A STATE, IT
13 WOULD HAVE, WHAT? THE 7TH LARGEST POPULATION IN THE UNITED
14 STATES? AND WE HAVE 7 PEOPLE RUNNING IT? I'M SORRY YOU PEOPLE
15 WHO BOUGHT PROPERTY OUT THERE IN THE DESERT AND THOUGHT THE
16 DESERT WAS GOING TO BE QUIET, IT'S NOT GOING TO BE QUIET. AND
17 IF THESE ARE WIND TUNNELS, THESE WIND TURBINES BOTHER YOU,
18 TOO-- T.F.B. TOO BAD. YOU KNOW WHAT THE F STANDS FOR. THEY'RE
19 BEHIND SCHEDULE HERE. WE NEED-- AND OF COURSE WHO IS ALWAYS
20 AGAINST ANYTHING? THE OLD WHITE GUYS. (GRUMBLING) IT'S JUST
21 FOR THE COLORED PEOPLE. THEY'LL OVERRUN US. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE
22 GETTING FROM THESE PEOPLE HERE. I'M SURE THERE'S GOING TO BE
23 FOUR VOTES TO CONTINUE. AND I LOVE THESE PEOPLE WHO DON'T GIVE
24 A SYPHILITIC RODENT'S BEHIND ABOUT BIRDS AND THEIR SAFETY
25 UNTIL THEY START GETTING WIND TUNNELS. THEN THEY BECOME LEFT-

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1 WING, ANTI-ECOTERRORISM. THIS ISN'T TERRORISM. WE NEED ENERGY.
2 AND IF YOU WANT-- THIS IS WHAT I SAY. EVERYBODY SHOULD GO GAY.
3 WE'LL HAVE TOTAL DEGENERATION WITH NO CHILDREN. THE POPULATION
4 WILL BE CUT IN HALF. AND THEN WE CAN GET RID OF THE WIND
5 TUNNELS. BUT AS LONG AS HETEROSEXUALITY IS AROUND HERE AND
6 PEOPLE ARE MULTIPLYING LIKE RABBITS, AND INCIDENTALLY PUT A
7 WIND TURBINE HERE. ALL THE HOT AIR IN THIS OFFICE WILL CREATE
8 ENORMOUS AMOUNTS OF ENERGY. WIND TURBINE RIGHT HERE AT
9 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP TANYA
12 DERIVE AND SARAH FRIEDMAN. YES, MA'AM.

13

14 **ILEENE ANDERSON:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ILEENE
15 ANDERSON. I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES AND I'M A SENIOR SCIENTIST
16 WITH THE CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY. THE CENTER FOR
17 BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY SUPPORTS QUICKLY TRANSITIONING FROM
18 FOSSIL FUELS TO RENEWABLE, CLEAN ENERGY TO REDUCE CARBON
19 EMISSIONS AND AVOID THE WORST EFFECTS OF GLOBAL CLIMATE
20 CHANGE. HOWEVER RENEWABLE ENERGY LIKE OTHER FORMS OF
21 DEVELOPMENT MUST BE DESIGNED AND SITED SUITABLY TO PROTECT
22 SENSITIVE RESOURCES INCLUDING RARE ANIMALS AND PLANTS AND
23 WATER. WE APPRECIATE THAT THE COUNTY TOOK UP PLANNING FOR
24 RENEWABLE ENERGY, INCLUDING IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WHERE
25 PROJECTS HAVE GONE IN AND CAUSED SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL

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1 PROBLEMS. WE SUPPORT THE ORDINANCE'S FOCUS ON STRUCTURE-
2 MOUNTED PROJECTS, I.E., DISTRIBUTED SOLAR GENERATION FOR OUR
3 COMMUNITIES BECAUSE WE BELIEVE THIS IS THE FUTURE OF LOCAL
4 ENERGY INDEPENDENCE AND ADDRESSES OUR NEED TO IMMEDIATELY
5 TRANSITION OFF OF FOSSIL FUELS. WHILE THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE
6 DIRECTS GROUND-MOUNTED UTILITY- SCALE DEVELOPMENT AWAY FROM
7 THE COUNTY'S MOST SENSITIVE AREAS BY PROHIBITING UTILITY-SCALE
8 DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTY'S S.E.A.S, IN THE OPEN SPACE AND
9 WATERSHED AREAS, WE HAVE GREAT CONCERNS THAT YOU HEARD ABOUT
10 LAST MONTH WITH THE REZONING OF THE SENSITIVE AREAS UNDER THE
11 ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA PLAN. INDEED, TO BE EFFECTIVE IN
12 ACHIEVING CONSERVATION OF OUR WORLD-CLASS UNIQUE PLANTS AND
13 ANIMALS, ALL THE SENSITIVE BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES IN THIS AREA
14 MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE S.E.A. DESIGNATIONS AND PROTECTED. THE
15 SENSITIVE BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES MUST INCLUDE WILDLIFE
16 CORRIDORS, WHICH ARE ESSENTIAL CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION
17 STRATEGIES FOR THE PLANTS AND ANIMALS THAT WILL ALSO BE
18 AFFECTED BY OUR CHANGE IN CLIMATE. THE SCALED BACK AND
19 INADEQUATE S.E.A. DESIGNATIONS RECENTLY ADOPTED IN THE
20 ANTELOPE VALLEY PLAN DO NOT ACHIEVE THIS GOAL. THE COUNTY
21 NEEDS TO PROTECT ALL OF ITS L.A. COUNTY INHABITANTS AND TAKE
22 THIS OPPORTUNITY TO REDESIGN THE S.E.A.S TO PROTECT OUR
23 NATURAL HERITAGE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. THE RENEWABLE ENERGY
24 ORDINANCE SEEMS TO FOCUS ON THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WHERE MANY
25 WILD LANDS REMAIN INTACT.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WRAP IT UP, PLEASE.

3

4 **ILEENE ANDERSON:** YES. WE REQUEST THAT THE ORDINANCE REQUIRE A
5 MORE EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS HAVE
6 AND LASTLY THE POOR AIR QUALITY IN THE DESERT REGIONS OF L.A.
7 COUNTY HAVE BEEN EXACERBATED BY EXISTING SOLAR PROJECTS. THE
8 ORDINANCE NEEDS TO INCLUDE AN AIR QUALITY MONITORING
9 REQUIREMENT SO DATA ARE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE AND TRIGGERS FOR
10 ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT TO PREVENT WORSENING AIR QUALITY ARE
11 IMPLEMENTED. WE URGE THE BOARD TO INCORPORATE THESE SENSIBLE
12 REQUESTS INTO THE ORDINANCE BEFORE ADOPTING IT. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALSO MARVIN MOON. MR. LUCAS?

15

16 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. ONCE AGAIN, FIRST I'D LIKE TO
17 SAY, YOU KNOW, ALL OF THE PEOPLE'S CONCERNS AND THEIR FEELINGS
18 ARE VERY VALID TO ME. I MEAN, I LISTEN. BUT LET ME SHARE SOME
19 OF MY UNDERSTANDING OF THE EARTH AND SOME OF THE CONCERNS.
20 FIRE'S A NATURAL PART OF EARTH'S EVOLUTION. IT JUST IS. IT'S A
21 SHAME. AND WE HAVE SOME VERY BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN THAT GO OUT
22 AND TRY AND CURTAIL IT. THE NATURAL ANIMAL RIGHTS ISSUE, YOU
23 KNOW I HEARD PEOPLE CONCERNED ABOUT THE BIRDS BUT YET COMPLAIN
24 ABOUT THE RODENTS AND THE SNAKES. COME ON. THESE ANIMALS HAVE
25 BEEN HERE A LOT LONGER THAN WE HAVE. WE CAN'T CONTROL THE

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1 THINGS THAT ARE A PART OF NATURE AND A PART OF LIFE. TO LOOK
2 EVEN FURTHER, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO LEAVE BEHIND? I KNOW WE'RE
3 HERE FOR A VERY SHORT AMOUNT OF TIME. ARE YOU WILLING TO LEAVE
4 SOMETHING FOR SOMEBODY ELSE? OR ARE YOU SO CONSUMED WITH WHAT
5 YOU NEED AND WHAT YOU WANT RIGHT NOW AND NOT BE SELFLESS TO
6 LEAVE SOMETHING FOR OTHERS? YOUR CHILDREN, YOUR GRANDCHILDREN,
7 YOUR GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS IF YOU CAN
8 STAND 20 MINUTES IN A WIND STORM OUT IN THE DESERT AND NOT BE
9 DRIVEN COMPLETELY CRAZY, YOU'RE A BETTER PERSON THAN I. IT
10 SHAPES THE EARTH, IT FORMS THE EARTH. WE GET OUR ELECTRICITY
11 FROM THE WATER. WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING. THERE'S ALWAYS GOING
12 TO BE A POSITIVE AND A NEGATIVE. BUT DO YOU WANT TO LIVE IN A
13 WORLD OF SELFISHNESS OR SELFLESSNESS? ARE YOU WILLING TO PUT A
14 CIRCUIT BREAKER ON YOUR POWER GRID AT YOUR HOUSE AND SHUT
15 EVERYTHING OFF FOR THE DAY? IT WILL SAVE YOU ABOUT A THIRD OF
16 YOUR BILL.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. LUCAS.

19

20 **TANYA DERIVI:** THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE
21 COMMENTS ON THE COUNTY'S RENEWABLE ENERGY ORDINANCE. MY NAME
22 IS TANYA DERIVE. I'M THE DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS WITH
23 THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC POWER AUTHORITY OR S.C.A.P.P.A.
24 IT'S A JOINT POWERS AGENCY COMPRISED OF 11 MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
25 IN THE NATION'S LARGEST IRRIGATION DISTRICT THAT DELIVER

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1 ELECTRICITY TO 5 MILLION PEOPLE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. SEVEN
2 S.C.A.P.P.A. MEMBER UTILITIES ARE LOCATED WITHIN LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY. WHILE WE GREATLY APPRECIATE THE COUNTY'S GOAL TO HELP
4 FACILITATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY WITHIN THE
5 COUNTY AND TO ASSIST THE COUNTY TO MEET A.B.32-RELATED CLIMATE
6 CHANGE GOALS. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT THE ORDINANCE MAY IN
7 FACT DETER RENEWABLES DEVELOPMENT HERE. I WOULD LIKE TO ECHO
8 THE SENTIMENTS TO BE EXPRESSED BY THE LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT
9 OF WATER AND POWER, PARTICULARLY AS THE STATE LEGISLATURE
10 CONSIDERS INCREASING CALIFORNIA'S RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO
11 STANDARDS FROM 33 PERCENT TO 50 PERCENT BY THE YEAR 2030 WHILE
12 ALSO STRENGTHENING GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTION TARGETS.
13 RIGHT NOW, OUR MEMBER CITIES RECEIVE HIGHER CREDIT FOR OUT-OF-
14 STATE WIND COMING FROM WYOMING UNDER CALIFORNIA'S R.P.S. THAN
15 WE DO IF WE GET ANY CREDIT FOR ROOFTOP SOLAR DISTRIBUTED
16 GENERATED SYSTEM IN OUR OWN MEMBER CITY BACKYARDS. WE ARE
17 CONCERNED THAT THIS ORDINANCE WOULD ADD UNDULY BURDENSOME
18 REQUIREMENTS SUCH AS UNDERGROUNDING TRANSMISSION LINES THAT
19 WOULD LIKELY MAKE MANY FUTURE RENEWABLE PROJECTS SO EXPENSIVE
20 THAT VERY FEW, IF ANY, PROSPECTIVE BUYERS WOULD BE WILLING TO
21 PAY FOR THEM. DRAMATICALLY INCREASING THE COST OF RENEWABLES
22 ESPECIALLY FOR S.C.A.P.P.A MEMBERS INTERESTED IN LOCAL
23 RENEWABLE PROJECTS CLOSE TO OUR CUSTOMERS, WOULD HAVE A
24 DETRIMENTAL IMPACTS ON RATE PAYERS, SMALL AND MEDIUM-SIZED
25 RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPERS AND WOULD DO LITTLE TO FURTHER AIR

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1 QUALITY IMPROVEMENTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME AND
2 CONSIDERATION.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

5

6 **SARAH FRIEDMAN:** MY NAME IS SARAH FRIEDMAN. I'M AN L.A. COUNTY
7 RESIDENT. AND I AM A STAFFER FOR THE SIERRA CLUB THAT WORKS ON
8 ISSUES RELATED TO CLEAN ENERGY AND CONSERVATION. WE SUPPORT
9 CLEAN ENERGY TO REDUCE CARBON EMISSIONS AND RAPIDLY TRANSITION
10 OFF OF FOSSIL FUELS. BUT LIKE OTHER FORMS OF DEVELOPMENT, IT
11 MUST BE DESIGNED SUSTAINABLY TO PROTECT SENSITIVE PLANTS
12 ANIMALS AND WATER. WE REALLY APPRECIATE THE COUNTY'S GOALS TO
13 BETTER REGULATE GROUND-MOUNTED, UTILITY-SCALE PROJECTS TO
14 MINIMIZE IMPACTS. PROHIBITING GROUND-MOUNTED, UTILITY- SCALE
15 DEVELOPMENT IN S.E.A.S IS A REAL POSITIVE STEP FORWARD TOWARDS
16 BALANCING RENEWABLE ENERGY AND CONSERVATION. HOWEVER, TO
17 PROVIDE EFFECTIVE CONSERVATION, WE HAVE TO ALSO MAKE SURE THAT
18 S.E.A.S ARE DESIGNED TO IDENTIFY AND PROTECT THE MOST
19 SENSITIVE BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES IN THIS AREA SUCH AS WILDLIFE
20 CORRIDORS IN SENSITIVE PLANNED COMMUNITIES. WE ALSO RECOMMEND
21 THAT SMALL-SCALE GROUND RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT BE
22 EXCLUDED FROM S.E.A.S. WE ALSO REALLY SUPPORT AND APPRECIATE
23 THE ORDINANCE'S FOCUS ON ENCOURAGING SMALL-SCALE AND STRUCTURE
24 MOUNTED PROJECTS. I THINK THAT'S A FIRST IN THE COUNTY SHOWING
25 REAL GREAT LEADERSHIP THROUGH THIS ORDINANCE.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **SARAH FRIEDMAN:** WE SUPPORT THE GOAL; HOWEVER, WE DO RECOGNIZE
5 THAT THESE EVEN SMALLER GROUND WATER PROJECTS WILL HAVE DIRECT
6 AND CUMULATIVE IMPACTS AND THOSE SHOULD BE ASSESSED AND
7 MITIGATED. FOR THAT REASON, WE RECOMMEND THAT THEY BE
8 PROCESSED UNDER SOMETHING OTHER THAN A ZONING CONFORMANCE
9 REVIEW THAT WOULD ALLOW IT TO HAVE A REAL ENVIRONMENTAL
10 ASSESSMENT DONE THAT COULD FIGURE OUT IF THERE ARE IMPACTS,
11 WHAT THEY ARE AND IF THOSE SHOULD BE MITIGATED. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. BEFORE MR. MOON SPEAKS, LET
14 ME ALSO CALL UP OUR LAST SPEAKER THEN IS WAYNE SPINDLER. MR.
15 MOON?

16

17 **MARVIN MOON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. HONORABLE BOARD, MY NAME IS
18 MARV MOON. I'M THE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING FOR L.A. WATER AND
19 POWER. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ABOUT
20 THE RENEWABLE ENERGY ORDINANCE. THE ORDINANCE [INAUDIBLE]
21 REGULATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR RENEWABLE PROJECTS
22 AND PROVIDE DEVELOPER CERTAINTY AND KEEP THE STANDARDS OF THE
23 VALUE FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY. E.D.P., OF COURSE, IS A
24 VERY BIG STAKEHOLDER IN THE RENEWABLE ENERGY FIELD AS OUR
25 PORTFOLIO GOES TO 33 PERCENT BY 2020 AND LIKELY TO 50 PERCENT

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1 IN 2030. BUT AS SUCH, THIS ORDINANCE DOES NEED ADDITIONAL WORK
2 AS IT RELATES TO UNDERGROUND TRANSMISSION PROVISION. THE
3 PROVISION SAYS THAT ALL THE PROJECTS HAVE TO PLACE THE
4 UNDERGROUND TRANSMISSION BOTH ON SITE AND OFF SITE UNDERGROUND
5 AND THIS WOULD DISCOURAGE LARGE-SCALE UTILITY PROJECTS FOR
6 SEVERAL REASONS. ONE OF COURSE RELATES TO AESTHETICS. WHILE
7 THIS IS NO DOUBT THE PRINCIPAL DRIVER FOR THE ORDINANCE
8 PROVISION, DUE CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO SPECIFIC
9 PROJECT CONSIDERATIONS. FOR EXAMPLE, IT'S OFTEN COMMON TO
10 COLLOCATE TRANSMISSION WITH EXISTING OVERHEAD TRANSMISSION AND
11 THE RESULTS ARE NEGLIGIBLE. BY THE SAME REASONING, WE IN LOS
12 ANGELES INSTALL UNDERGROUND TRANSMISSIONS IN DENSELY POPULATED
13 AREAS AND IT CAN BE DONE THE SAME HERE. ALSO WITH COST,
14 UNDERGROUND TRANSMISSIONS ARE SIGNIFICANTLY MORE EXPENSIVE. OF
15 COURSE THIS ALL TRANSLATES INTO HIGHER ENERGY COSTS THAT ARE
16 PASSED ON TO UTILITY RESIDENTS WHO SHOULDER THESE COSTS FOR
17 MANY YEARS AS THE BONDS ARE REPAID. ANOTHER ASPECT IS THE
18 PRACTICAL ASPECT. UNDERGROUND TRANSMISSIONS ARE VERY LARGE AND
19 VERY HEAVY, AND THE ORDINANCE DOES PERMIT OVERHEAD FOR
20 SPECIFIC CROSSINGS BUT IT'S PROBLEMATIC FOR THINGS LIKE GRADE
21 CROSSINGS, MOUNTAINSIDES, CLIFFS, RAVINES, STREAM CROSSINGS,
22 SO ON. ALSO ELECTRICALLY, THERE ARE LENGTH LIMITATIONS FOR
23 UNDERGROUND TRANSMISSION AND MAINTENANCE ISSUES.
24 ENVIRONMENTALLY, THERE'S AN IMPACT, RIPPING UP THE DESERT WITH
25 EVACUATIONS-- EXCAVATIONS FOR MILES OF CONDUIT AND

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1 SUBSTRUCTURE THAT WILL HAVE ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECT. WE ARE
2 CONSTANTLY AVOIDING ENDANGERED SPECIES LIKE TURTLES, FOXES,
3 NESTING BIRDS AND PLANTS. OVERHEAD TRANSMISSION ACTUALLY HAS A
4 MINUSCULE DIGGING EFFECT ON THE UNDERGROUND.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. SPINDLER.

7

8 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YES. THEY SHOULD HAVE THESE LINES OVERHEAD NOT
9 UNDERHEAD BECAUSE PUTTING THEM UNDERGROUND IS A BIG EXPENSE.
10 BUT ALSO WITH THESE RELATIONSHIPS TO WHAT THE PERSON'S GOING
11 TO GET PAID, IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO BE ABLE TO SELL ENERGY
12 BACK TO THESE UTILITY COMPANIES. YOU GO ONLINE, FOR EXAMPLE,
13 AND A LOT OF THESE METERS ACTUALLY ARE NOT CAPABLE OF RUNNING
14 BACKWARDS. SO THE CUSTOMER THAT SELLS POWER BACK TO THE
15 UTILITY, IT NEEDS TO BE DISCLOSED IN SIMPLE-TO-UNDERSTAND
16 ENGLISH IN TERMS OF IF YOU BUY YOUR PANELS OR YOUR PROJECT
17 VERSUS LEASING BECAUSE LEASING, THE UTILITY AND THE CONTRACTOR
18 KEEPS ALL THE MONEY. SO, FOR EXAMPLE, IN A COMMERCIAL
19 BUILDING, WHICH I HAVE IN THE COMMUNIST ENCLAVE OF LOS ANGELES
20 CITY, YOU HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE MOB KNOWN AS THE LOS ANGELES
21 DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER THAT IS A QUASI-CRIMINAL MAFIA
22 ORGANIZATION. AND I HAVE MULTI-METERED ROOMS IN TERMS OF THE
23 FIVE SPACES, FOR EXAMPLE, AND I WANT TO PUT UP SOLAR PANELS.
24 THEY WILL NOT TELL YOU HOW MUCH YOU GET. AND THEN EACH OF THE
25 METERED SPACES GETS A MINIMUM CHARGE. THAT MINIMUM CHARGE

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1 WINDS UP BEING \$50 FOR AN 800 SQUARE FOOT OFFICE FOR EACH
2 OFFICE BEFORE YOU EVEN TURN ON A LIGHT SWITCH. IT'S OUTRAGEOUS
3 WHAT THESE UTILITY COMPANIES CHARGE SMALL BUSINESSES FOR AN
4 ELECTRICAL HOOKUP. SO WHEN YOU GO TO THESE ALTERNATE ENERGY
5 SOLUTIONS, THAT SHOULD BE BANNED AND STOPPED PERMANENTLY.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME-- I READ THE
8 PREAMBLE TO THE MOTION. LET ME READ THE THEREFORE MOVE. "THAT
9 WE CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. WE CERTIFY FINAL E.I.R. AND ADOPT
10 FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS AS
11 RECOMMENDED IN THE BOARD LETTER, INDICATE THE INTENT TO
12 APPROVE THE ORDINANCE, ADVANCE PLANNING NO. 2014-00004 AS
13 RECOMMENDED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. AND WITH THE
14 ADDITIONAL CHANGES AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF AFTER THE
15 COMMISSION HEARING, INCLUDING A BAN ON UTILITY- SCALE WIND
16 ENERGY, INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE FINAL
17 ORDINANCE, BRINGING IT BACK TO THE BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION AND
18 FURTHER MOVING THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
19 HEALTH TO REPORT TO THE BOARD IN 60 DAYS ON PROCEDURES FOR
20 REQUIRING SOIL TESTING FOR VALLEY FEVER AS PART OF UTILITY
21 SCALE RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS. ANY COMMENTS, MR. RICHARD?

22

23 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** NO, SIR.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I SIMPLY WANT TO
3 ACKNOWLEDGE THE LEADERSHIP THAT HAS BEEN BROUGHT FORTH ON THE
4 MATTER OF BOTH THE BOARD AND CERTAINLY ACKNOWLEDGMENT IS TO BE
5 EXTENDED TO THE RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS, REGIONAL PLANNING,
6 PUBLIC WORKS AS WELL AS COUNTY COUNSEL. I THINK IT'S FAIR TO
7 SUGGEST IF WE WANT TO MEET OUR GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS
8 TARGET, THEN WE NEED TO TAKE SERIOUSLY THAT WHICH IS BEFORE
9 US. MAKE IT SIMPLE. MAKE IT STRAIGHTFORWARD. MAKE IT
10 APPROPRIATELY USER FRIENDLY IN THE BROADEST SENSE OF THAT
11 TERM. AND THEN WE CAN GET WHERE WE SHOULD ULTIMATELY BE. I
12 THINK THIS IS CONSISTENT WITH THE COUNTY'S OFFICE OF
13 SUSTAINABILITY AND THE WORK THAT'S BEING ADVANCED THERE. AND
14 BEFORE YOU KNOW IT, THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WILL DISTINGUISH
15 ITSELF AS THE LARGEST REGION OF ITS SORT IN THE NATION. AND
16 WHAT WE WILL HAVE DONE TO ADVANCE THIS AGENDA WILL NOT BE
17 EASILY IGNORED. AND SO I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE PARTIES
18 INVOLVED IN CAUSING US TO ARRIVE AT THIS POINT. AND I LOOK
19 FORWARD TO THE NEXT 60 DAYS WHEN WE COME BACK WITH THAT WHICH
20 IS TO BE MEMORIALIZED. AND THEN THE IMPLEMENTATION OUGHT TO BE
21 ABLE TO TAKE OFF. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
24 THOMAS. I JUST WANT TO THANK THE DEPARTMENT FOR GOING OUT AND
25 WORKING WITH THE TOWN COUNCILS ON THIS ISSUE. SO IT'S VERY

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1 IMPORTANT AND VERY PRODUCTIVE. AND THANK YOU. AND I THANK
2 AGAIN THE TOWN COUNCILMEMBERS WHO ARE LISTENING IN ANTELOPE
3 VALLEY. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, NOT JUST ON THIS
4 ISSUE, BUT ALL THE OTHERS, AS WELL, AND HOW WE'RE BETTER TO
5 ABLE REPRESENT THAT DISTRICT. SO WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
6 ORDERED. THANK YOU. I'M GOING TO GO TO ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.
7 FIRST I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE
8 FOLLOWING. DR. CHARLES MANSKE, FOUNDER OF CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY
9 WHO AT THAT TIME WAS CHRIST COLLEGE, IRVINE THEN BECAME
10 CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY IRVINE WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 82.
11 ORIGINALLY HE WAS THE CAMPUS PASTOR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
12 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA LOS
13 ANGELES. HE WAS QUITE INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY. HE
14 ESTABLISHED A CROSS-CULTURAL MINISTRY CENTER, A FOUR-YEAR
15 SEMINARY CURRICULUM. CAMPUS MINISTER AND NEGOTIATOR
16 SPOKESPERSON FOR HIS CHURCH. HE'S A MEMBER OF THE LUTHERAN
17 CHURCH, MISSOURI SYNOD. HE DEVELOPED "CHRISTIANITY ON TRIAL,"
18 AN AWARD-WINNING TELEVISION SERIES THAT WON FOUR ANGEL AWARDS.
19 HE IS SURVIVED BY WIFE BARBARA AND HIS CHILDREN AND
20 GRANDCHILDREN. CHUCK WAS A REAL LEADER, A REAL FOUNDER IN
21 COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION INVOLVEMENT AND LEADER IN THE CHURCH,
22 LEADER IN THE COMMUNITY, AND VERY DEVOTED CHRISTIAN. AND
23 STUDENTS AT CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY, IRVINE ARE GOING ON TO SERVE
24 THEIR CHURCH AND THE PROFESSIONAL LIFE THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE
25 WORLD. IT'S AN INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, AS WELL. ALSO, JAMES

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1 "JAY" ROGERS, LONG- TIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA APPEARED
2 BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MANY TIMES ON ISSUES, PASSED
3 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 86. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY
4 WITH THE SENIOR CENTER AND THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUB AND THE
5 COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE JOYCE
6 AND THREE CHILDREN. JOYCE AND JAY WERE JUST A GREAT COUPLE.
7 GOOD FRIENDS. BACK IN THE EARLY '80S WHEN I HAD THE MOTION TO
8 CONSOLIDATE COUNTY GOVERNMENT, THE COMMISSION UNDER JOE
9 CRAIL'S LEADERSHIP AND CLAY LAFORCE WHO WAS THE DEAN OF
10 U.C.L.A.'S SCHOOL OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT, THE ANDERSON SCHOOL,
11 HAD A GROUP OF STUDENTS. AND ONE OF THOSE LATER BECAME ONE OF
12 THE LEADERS IN CHINA. AND THAT'S CHENG SIWEI WEI WHO PASSED
13 AWAY THIS PAST WEEK. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80. HE WAS
14 THE ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE CHINA NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC
15 CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION WHICH WAS ONE OF CHINA'S NONCOMMUNIST
16 PARTIES. HE WAS A CHRISTIAN. HE SERVED AS A MEMBER OF THE
17 STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE 9TH AND 10TH PEOPLE'S CONGRESS,
18 WHICH IS CHINA'S TOP LEGISLATIVE BODY. HIS EARLY RESEARCH
19 INVOLVED CHEMICAL ENGINEERING, SCIENCE, SOCIAL SCIENCE AND
20 MANAGEMENT SCIENCE. AND AS I SAID, HE WAS A GRADUATE OF
21 U.C.L.A. WHERE HE OBTAINED HIS MASTER'S DEGREE. HE'S ALSO THE
22 FATHER OF CHINEXT BOARD WHICH IS NASDAQ, THE NASDAQ BOARD IN
23 CHINA. AND HE WAS AN AUTHOR OF 28 BOOKS, 28 ACADEMICS BOOKS
24 INCLUDING THE "U.S. FINANCIAL CRISIS: LESSONS FOR CHINA." "THE
25 ECONOMIC REFORMS AND DEVELOPMENT IN CHINA." "ENRICHED

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1 PROFESSIONAL STUDIES ON ECONOMIC REFORM AND DEVELOPMENT." AND
2 OVER 200 ARTICLES IN PRESTIGIOUS JOURNALS. AND HIS BOOKS WERE
3 PUBLISHED BY OXFORD UNIVERSITY, AS WELL. I MANY TIMES SPEAK AT
4 THE WORLD ECONOMIC FORUM DAVOS IN TIANJIN AND DALIAN, CHINA
5 AND CHENG SIWEI WAS ALWAYS ONE OF THE MORE POPULAR SPEAKERS AT
6 THOSE INTERNATIONAL FORUMS. BUT HE WAS A REAL GOOD ROLE MODEL.
7 BUT WHAT I ALWAYS REMINDED HIM, WHEN HE SAID WE HAD THE
8 CONSOLIDATION PROGRAM APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY THE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS, HE SAID HE FOUND MORE BUREAUCRACY IN THE COUNTY
10 OF LOS ANGELES THAN IN CHINA. AND THEN HE WOULD LAUGH. I
11 ALWAYS REMIND THAT TO HIM. HE HAS FAMILY THAT LIVES HERE. HE
12 WAS ALSO A LECTURER IN PALO ALTO AT SILICON VALLEY AND AT OUR
13 MAJOR UNIVERSITIES, U.C.L.A., STANFORD UNIVERSITY, ET CETERA.
14 BUT HE WAS A REAL FINE MAN AND A REAL GOOD LEADER AND WILL BE
15 MISSED. ALSO I WANT TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
16 LOUISE MARIE FORBES PASSED AWAY AT AGE 89. SHE TAUGHT AT THE
17 MCGROATY ART CENTER AND PARTICIPATED IN MANY OF OUR ART SHOWS.
18 SHE OWNED THE FORBES ART AND FRAMES COMPANY IN MONTROSE.
19 BLAINE GIBSON PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 97, THE SCULPTOR AND
20 ANIMATOR FOR WALT DISNEY STUDIOS. CHIEF SCULPTOR FOR ALL THE
21 DISNEY PARKS. HE SCULPTURED EVERY PRESIDENT UP TO PRESIDENT
22 GEORGE W. BUSH AT THE WALT DISNEY WORLD RESORT. HE IS SURVIVED
23 BY HIS SON AND HIS GRANDSON, WES AND BLAINE. IRENE LINA
24 JANSSON, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY PASSED
25 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 75. SHE WAS AN EMPLOYEE WITH THE FIRST

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1 INTERSTATE BANK FOR MANY YEARS. ACTIVE IN HER COMMUNITY.
2 OFFERING COUNSELING TO WOMEN IN HOMELESS SHELTERS. SHE IS
3 SURVIVED BY HER THREE CHILDREN. LEONARD "LEN" JAMES LAMBDIN,
4 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA. SERVED IN THE UNITED
5 STATES ARMY BEFORE HIS CAREER IN HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATIONS.
6 WORKED ON THE 14 FREEWAY AND FOR THE RASMUSSEN R&R. LEN IS
7 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND FOUR CHILDREN. MARGARET DUQUE MARBLE,
8 GRADUATE OF PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR FROM UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
9 SANTA BARBARA. WORKED FOR WITH THE COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND
10 DRUG ABUSE, THE CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION, THE LOS ANGELES
11 REGIONAL BANK AND CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL. PRESIDENT OF THE JUNIOR
12 LEAGUE OF PASADENA. PRESIDENT OF TOWN CLUB AND WAS A DAME AT
13 THE ROYAL INSTITUTE AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER SIX CHILDREN.
14 VICKIE NELSON, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE VALLEY, SERVED 11
15 YEARS ON THE ANTELOPE ACRES TOWN COUNCIL AS SECRETARY, VICE
16 PRESIDENT AND PRESIDENT. AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND
17 BRUCE AND THEIR DAUGHTER VANESSA. HONORABLE JAN AARUS PLUIM,
18 JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT, PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 28TH AT THE
19 AGE OF 71. HE WAS APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN IN
20 1991. PRIOR TO HIS APPOINTMENT, HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE LOS
21 ANGELES COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE. HE WAS PRINCIPAL DEPUTY
22 COUNTY COUNSEL, LEGAL ADVISER TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND
23 THE COUNTY RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION. AND HE HAD SERVED, HE WAS
24 CURRENTLY ALSO SERVING AS A TRUSTEE OF THE LAW LIBRARY AND
25 HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN. LEELON LEE RICHARD

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1 PUTMAN, LONG- TIME RESIDENT OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY.
2 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80. FORMER MARINE CORPS. SERVED
3 DURING THE KOREAN WAR. MEMBER OF THE BAKERY AND CONFECTIONARY
4 WORKERS UNION FOR OVER 35 YEARS. WORKED AT FOUR-S BAKING
5 COMPANY. DAN STATHATOS PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 91. HE TOOK
6 OVER THE BROADWAY FLORIST, HIS FAMILY BUSINESS AT THE AGE OF
7 17, LATER FOUNDED STATS FLORAL SUPPLY. HE WAS THE DIRECTOR OF
8 THE CALIFORNIA THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS ASSOCIATION AND THE
9 UNITED MERCANTILE BANK. ACTIVE BENEFACTOR OF ST. SOPHIA GREEK
10 ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL. SURVIVED BY HIS SONS DAN, PHILIP, MICHAEL
11 AND DAMON AND NINE GRANDCHILDREN. KENNETH GILSTRAP, RETIRED
12 SERGEANT LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND LUCY
13 CABRERA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, PASSED AWAY
14 ON JULY 1ST. SHE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE MARINA DEL REY STATION.
15 SHE HAD JOINED THE DEPARTMENT IN 1997. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
16 KUEHL. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. I HAVE ONE ADJOURNMENT. I'D LIKE
19 TO NOTE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF JOHN SEBASTIAN.
20 JOHN SEBASTIAN, OR JUAN SEBASTIAN WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A
21 LEGENDARY MEXICAN SINGER AND COMPOSER NICKNAMED "EL REY DEL
22 JARIPEO." HE PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY AT HIS FAMILY'S RANCH IN
23 GUERRERO, MEXICO AFTER 16 YEARS WITH A BATTLE OF BONE CANCER.
24 HE WAS 64. BORN JOSE MANUEL FIGUEROA. HE WAS ALSO REFERRED TO
25 AS THE PEOPLE'S POET FOR HIS LYRICAL COMPOSITIONS ABOUT LOVE

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1 AND BETRAYAL WHICH HE OFTEN PERFORMED ON HORSEBACK. AFTER
2 EXPERIENCING CHILDHOOD POVERTY IN RURAL MEXICO, HE DECIDED TO
3 DEDICATE HIMSELF TO MUSIC AND WENT ON TO RELEASE MORE THAN 50
4 ALBUMS AND HAD A SERIES OF HITS WHICH WON HIM FIVE GRAMMY
5 AWARDS AND 7 LATIN GRAMMIES, THE MOST OF ANY MEXICAN
6 PERFORMER. HIS BALLADS MADE HIM A STAPLE OF THE MEXICAN MUSIC
7 CHART SINCE HIS CAREER BEGAN BACK IN THE 1970S AND HIS
8 POPULARITY EXTENDED THROUGHOUT LATIN AMERICA AS WELL AS THE
9 UNITED STATES AND HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. JOAN SEBASTIAN
10 IS SURVIVED BY HIS EX-WIFE AND SIX CHILDREN. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
13 SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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15 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. THANKS TO THE SECOND
16 DISTRICT FOR LETTING ME GO OUT OF TURN. I ONLY HAVE ONE
17 ADJOURNMENT TODAY, BUT IT'S A VERY SAD ONE. TO ADJOURN IN
18 MEMORY OF JOSE DEJESUS GARCIA WHO WAS A RESIDENT IN THE THIRD
19 DISTRICT IN SUN VALLEY, DIED TRAGICALLY AT THE AGE OF 28 IN A
20 DROWNING ACCIDENT OFF THE MALIBU COAST AT ZUMA BEACH. HIS LOSS
21 AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE REMINDS US OF BEING EVER MINDFUL OF ALL
22 THE POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS SITUATIONS, INCLUDING THE RIP
23 CURRENTS IN OUR OCEAN VERY CLOSE TO SHORE AND THE SAFEST WAY
24 TO ESCAPE THEIR PULL, WHICH PHILOSOPHICALLY IT'S TRUE, AS
25 WELL, IS TO CONSERVE YOUR ENERGY, SWIM PARALLEL TO THE SHORE,

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1 NOT TOWARD IT. BUT WE UNDERSTAND HOW PEOPLE CAN BE SWEEPED UP BY
2 THESE ACCIDENTS. IT'S A REAL TRAGEDY TO HIS FAMILY. AND WE
3 SEND OUR SYMPATHIES TO ALL OF HIS FAMILY MEMBERS AND HIS MANY
4 FRIENDS. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
7 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. MAY I ASK YOU AND
10 THE BALANCE OF THE BOARD TO JOIN ME IN ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF
11 ALFRED SCOTT MOORE. MR. MOORE WAS BORN ON MAY 27, 1926 IN
12 GALVESTON, TEXAS AND PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 21ST AT THE AGE OF
13 89. IT WAS IN 1943 THAT HE RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES AND
14 STUDIED MUSIC AS A SAXOPHONIST UNDER THE GREAT LUCKY THOMPSON.
15 HE CHOSE NOT TO PURSUE A CAREER IN MUSIC; RATHER, HE WANTED TO
16 HAVE A POSITIVE INFLUENCE ON YOUTH IN THE COMMUNITY, SO HE
17 CHOSE A CAREER IN EDUCATION. HE EARNED TWO BACHELORS' DEGREES,
18 ONE EACH FROM U.C.L.A. AND U.S.C. AS WELL AS A MASTER'S DEGREE
19 IN EDUCATION FROM CAL STATE UNIVERSITY OF LOS ANGELES. FOR A
20 SPAN OF 36 YEARS HE SERVED THE CHILDREN IN MANY CAPACITIES IN
21 THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. HE TAUGHT AT THE 79TH
22 STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, NORRIS DERRY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. AND
23 THEN IN THE LATE '60S, HE WAS ELEVATED FROM THE CLASSROOM INTO
24 THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES AND WAS APPOINTED AN ASSISTANT
25 PRINCIPAL AT THE MARTIN LUTHER KING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, LATER A

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1 PRINCIPAL AT HOOVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WHERE HE IMPLEMENTED THE
2 B.R.L. SULLIVAN READING PROGRAM AND THE DIAGNOSTIC
3 PRESCRIPTIVE PROCESS. WELL THEN IN 1980 HE WAS APPOINTED AS
4 PRINCIPAL OF THE 95TH STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WHERE HE
5 ADOPTED THE EFFECTIVE SCHOOLS PROCESS TO IMPROVE STUDENT
6 ACHIEVEMENT. IN THE '80S, THE LATE '80S, HE WORKED AS A
7 SUPERINTENDENT IN VARIOUS CAPACITIES, INCLUDING AS A LEADER
8 OVER THE EDUCATION PLANNING AND RESEARCH UNIT AND ALSO OVERSAW
9 THE OFFICE OF SCHOOL OPERATIONS WHICH PROVIDED SUPPORT FOR
10 SOME 648 ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS. HE WAS A MEMBER OF
11 SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE COUNCIL OF BLACK
12 ADMINISTRATORS AND JESSE JACKSON'S "PUSH TO EXCEL" PROGRAM,
13 LOS ANGELES ALLIANCE OF BLACK SCHOOL EDUCATORS. THE BLACK
14 CONGRESS AND THE BROTHERHOOD CRUSADE JUST TO NAME A FEW.
15 ALFRED MOORE WAS RESPECTED AMONGST HIS PEERS AND WILL BE
16 REMEMBERED AS AN EDUCATOR, A MENTOR, FOR HIS ADVOCACY AND WORK
17 TO BRING RACIAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY TO LOS ANGELES BUT
18 PARTICULARLY IN THE EDUCATIONAL ARENA. AND HE HAD A TREMENDOUS
19 LOVE FOR HIS FAMILY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTERS, ALVA,
20 ARALCINDA, GRANDCHILDREN RICHARD AND JULIE AND MANY FRIENDS,
21 COLLEAGUES AND STUDENTS AS WELL AS PARENTS WHO WILL MISS HIM
22 DEARLY. I COUNT MYSELF AMONG THEM.

23
24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND, MR. MAYOR, IF YOU'LL PERMIT, I WANT
2 TO READ IN A MOTION ON BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND MYSELF.
3 YOU'LL KNOW THAT IN SPITE OF THE DECREASE IN JUVENILE ARRESTS
4 IN RECENT YEARS, AS OF TODAY'S STATISTICS, THERE ARE STILL
5 SOME 676 DETAINED YOUTH IN L.A. COUNTY. AND WE KNOW THAT
6 THERE'S WORK TO BE DONE. STATE LAW COMPELS THAT COUNTIES
7 PROVIDE PROGRAMS THAT HAVE BEEN DEMONSTRATED TO BE EFFECTIVE
8 IN REDUCING DELINQUENCY. SO THIS LEGISLATION REQUIRES FUNDED
9 PROGRAMS TO BE MODELED ON STRATEGIES THAT HAVE DEMONSTRATED
10 EFFECTIVENESS IN CURBING JUVENILE DELINQUENCY AND REDUCING
11 RECIDIVISM. THE FUNDING SOURCE PROVIDES RESOURCES THAT CAN BE
12 INVESTED NOT ONLY IN PREVENTING DELINQUENCY BUT ALSO ASSISTING
13 YOUTH THAT ARE RE-ENTERING THEIR COMMUNITIES. SO WE'RE TRYING
14 TO DO RE-ENTRY IN REAL TIME. SO WE WANT TO BRING THIS MOTION
15 FORWARD AS A MEANS TO EXPAND THE EFFORTS COUNTY-WIDE, WHICH WE
16 HOPE WILL CONTINUE AND THE REDUCTION AND IN THE ARREST AND
17 INCARCERATION OF MINORS, THEREFORE THIS ITEM THAT'S BEFORE US
18 GIVES EACH OF OUR RESPECTIVE OFFICES AN OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE
19 ADVANTAGE OF THE RESOURCES AT OUR DISPOSAL TO FUND CRITICALLY
20 IMPORTANT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THAT ARE DELIVERED IN
21 PARTNERSHIP WITH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THE
22 COUNTY." WE WILL DISCUSS THIS MORE THOROUGHLY NEXT WEEK.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** COULD WE NOT? IT'S A REPORT BACK HAVE
25 A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECOND BY

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1 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND APPROVE OF IT TODAY SO WE WOULD HAVE THE
2 REPORT BACK SOONER THAN WAITING ANOTHER WEEK?

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. MR. MAYOR, THAT IS A WAY TO
5 PROCEED. AND IF IT'S ACCEPTABLE TO THE CO-AUTHOR, I'M
6 CERTAINLY PREPARED TO PROCEED ACCORDINGLY.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION. SO ORDERED.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE FOR C.S.-1, C.S.-3, C.S.-4,
13 MR. SPINDLER?

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR, AS THEY COME. MAY I ASK THAT
16 COUNTY COUNSEL TEE UP THE ITEM THAT IS TO BE TAKEN UP IN
17 CLOSED SESSION TODAY.

18

19 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. IT IS MY
20 UNDERSTANDING THAT A MATTER REQUIRING IMMEDIATE ACTION
21 REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION HAS COME TO THE
22 BOARD'S ATTENTION SINCE THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA. IF THE
23 BOARD WISHES TO ADDRESS THIS IN CLOSED SESSION, IT WOULD BE
24 APPROPRIATE FOR THE MOTION TO BE MADE FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I WOULD SAY THAT THE BOARD MOVE THAT
2 IT BE TAKEN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
3 ORDERED.

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5 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. SPINDLER.

8

9 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YES. WE GET TO THE BEST PART OF THE MEETING:
10 LITIGATION. YOU SHOULDN'T BE HOLDING THESE THINGS IN CLOSED
11 SESSION. IT SHOULD BE IN OPEN SESSION BECAUSE IT INVOLVES LOTS
12 AND LOTS OF MONEY. SO YOU TAKE A LOOK AT SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE
13 TO LITIGATION. WHAT IS IT? WHO IS IT? DOESN'T SAY. SO DOESN'T
14 THE PUBLIC HAVE A RIGHT TO KNOW WHO IS THE SIGNIFICANT
15 EXPOSURE COMING FROM? I THINK WE'D LIKE TO KNOW THAT. AND THEN
16 OF COURSE WE HAVE OUR FAVORITES. CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES
17 FOR THE POSITION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF CHILD
18 PROTECTION. WHY IS THAT IN CLOSED SESSION? WHO ARE THESE
19 CANDIDATES? CAN THE PUBLIC KNOW WHO THESE CANDIDATES ARE? BUT
20 IT HAS TO BE IN SECRET, DOESN'T IT? THEN WE HAVE DEPARTMENT
21 HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS. WHY DOES THAT HAVE TO BE A
22 SECRET? IS THE PEOPLE DOING A GOOD JOB OR NOT? AGAIN, IT HAS
23 TO BE IN SECRET. AND THEN LABOR NEGOTIATIONS. WELL, YOU'RE
24 REALLY NOT NEGOTIATING WITH THEM. YOU'RE SELF-NEGOTIATING
25 BECAUSE EVERYBODY THERE ON THAT LIST IS A CAMPAIGN DONOR. AND

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1 THEY BUY THE SEATS ON THIS PANEL. AND THEN THEY NEGOTIATE WITH
2 THEMSELVES FOR BENEFITS. THAT IS RACKETEERING AND A CONFLICT
3 OF INTEREST. AND THAT'S WHY YOU PUT IT IN CLOSED SESSION,
4 BECAUSE IT'S EMBARRASSING. IF YOU WERE TO LIST ALL THE
5 CAMPAIGN DONATIONS ON C.S.-4, THERE'S ENOUGH MILLIONS OF
6 DOLLARS HERE TO BUY FOUR OR FIVE DIFFERENT CITY BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS. SO COME OUT OF THE DARKNESS INTO THE LIGHT AND
8 PUT THESE ITEMS ON PUBLIC AGENDA.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. NOW TO PUBLIC COMMENT,
11 WE'RE GOING TO LANCASTER FOR FRAN SERESERES. AND WHILE FRAN IS
12 COMING UP IN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION, WE HAVE JOSHUA SMITH,
13 TAMARA MARIZADEH, JOHN AARON JOHN AARON AND ROBERT LUCAS. GOOD
14 AFTERNOON, FRAN.

15

16 **FRAN SERESERES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, COUNSEL,
17 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR LETTING ME SPEAK. AND
18 HOPEFULLY YOU'LL HEAR ME A LITTLE BIT. FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO
19 THANK YOU VERY MUCH THAT OUR SENIOR CENTER IS COMING ABOUT.
20 AND I THINK WE'RE GOING TO BE HAVING A NEW SENIOR CENTER
21 PRETTY SOON. MY OTHER PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN TAKEN CARE OF NOW.
22 ALL WE NEED, AS YOU HEAR, MORE MONEY. BUT I THINK WE CAN GET
23 AROUND THAT SOMEHOW. NEXT THING WHY CAN'T THE CITY, FEDERAL,
24 STATE AND OUR COUNTY DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE INCREASE IN
25 GASOLINE GOUGING FROM THESE COMPANIES? OUR PEOPLE ARE YOUR

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1 CONSTITUENTS, ARE WE NOT-- ISN'T THERE SOMETHING YOU CAN DO
2 FOR THESE PEOPLE? SOME OF THESE PRICES ARE GOING OUTRAGEOUS.
3 STOP THE HIGH-SPEED BULLET TRAIN AND THE SPENDING OF BILLIONS
4 OF DOLLARS. HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE GOING TO REALLY BENEFIT FROM
5 THIS? FROM HERE TO SACRAMENTO. CAN'T THEY FLY? IT ONLY TAKES
6 45 MINUTES. THE USE OF THOSE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS CAN ALSO BE
7 USED FOR OUR WATER PIPELINE FROM THE EAST COAST AND UP NORTH.
8 WE SPEND MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO BRING DOWN AN OIL
9 PIPELINE FROM ALASKA. AND STILL HERE WE ARE HAVING TO PAY
10 ABOUT \$5 OR MORE PER GALLON. WHERE IS THE BALANCE ON THIS
11 REALITY? BILLIONS COULD BE SPENT HERE. PERHAPS OUR GOVERNMENT
12 NEEDS TO STOP ABUSING THE PUBLIC MONIES, PLUS SPENDING MONIES
13 THAT YOU ARE ALWAYS SAYING THAT WE ARE SEVERELY ECONOMICALLY
14 IN CRISIS. MY TIME IS UP. I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR LISTENING
15 TO ME. GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN. THANK YOU.
18 YES, SIR.

19

20 **JOHN AARON:** MY NAME IS JOHN AARON. I'M A VIETNAM-ERA VETERAN
21 AND A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES. I'M ALSO A C.P.A./M.B.A. SPENT
22 20 YEARS IN COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE. MY LAST JOB WAS DIRECTOR
23 OF STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR NATIONAL, INTERNATIONAL REAL ESTATE
24 COMPANIES. I KNOW ON YOUR JUNE 30TH AGENDA YOU PASSED
25 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND KNABE'S MOTION TO ASK THE FEDERAL

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1 GOVERNMENT TO FUND PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR HOMELESS
2 AND DISABLED VETERANS. I ALSO KNOW FROM A LIFETIME OF PUBLIC
3 EXPERIENCE, HAVING WORKED ON PROJECTS OF THIS SCALE AND SIZE,
4 THAT EVEN WITH THE BEST OF PLANS AND THE BEST OF INTENTIONS,
5 THE LIKELIHOOD OF THOSE DOORS OPENING WHILE PRESIDENT OBAMA IS
6 STILL IN OFFICE ARE REMOTE. I ALSO KNOW GIVEN THE LETHAL
7 INERTIA THAT SURROUNDS THE V.A., THE LIKELIHOOD OF THEM EVEN
8 BREAKING GROUND BY THAT TIME IS REMOTE. AND I SAY LETHAL
9 INERTIA BECAUSE THE V.A. HAS BEEN UNDER CONGRESSIONAL MANDATE
10 TO CREATE A MASTER PLAN SINCE 1998. WE DON'T HAVE A PLAN. WE
11 DON'T HAVE THE BUILDINGS. WE DON'T HAVE THE SERVICES. OKAY. WE
12 HAVE A LARGE-SCALE HUMANITARIAN DISASTER ON OUR HANDS. WE'VE
13 MANAGED TO SEND F.E.M.A. AND THE RED CROSS AND THE NATIONAL
14 GUARD TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY IMMEDIATE SERVICES, MEDICAL
15 SUPPLIES, FIELD KITCHENS IN THE CASE OF NATURAL DISASTERS. WAR
16 IS AN UNNATURAL DISASTER. AND WE'RE NOT REACTING IN THE SAME
17 WAY. SO MY SIMPLE QUESTION IS: BETWEEN TODAY AND THE TIME
18 THOSE DOORS FOR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING OPEN, IF EVER,
19 WILL THE COUNTY DECLARE THAT A DISASTER EXISTS TODAY AND ASK
20 FOR SUCH HELP AS WE GIVE OKLAHOMA DURING TORNADOES AND THE
21 EAST COAST AFTER HURRICANES? THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, MA'AM.

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1 **TAMARA MARIZADEH:** HI. MY NAME IS TAMARA MARIZADEH. FIRSTLY, I
2 WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT ARE HERE
3 SO WE CAN TALK OUR PROBLEMS. MY PROBLEMS STARTED WHEN I
4 PURCHASED A CONTAMINATED WAREHOUSE IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES.
5 AND THIS BUILDING HAS A LOT OF PROBLEMS WHICH RIGHT NOW
6 THEY'RE TRYING TO RAISE ABOUT \$3 MILLION TO FIX THE PROBLEM.
7 AND MY QUESTION IS WHY SUCH A BUILDING IS NOT DISCLOSED AND IS
8 OUT THERE? AND WE PEOPLE, WE WORK FOR OUR MONEY, AND WE HAVE
9 TO PAY FOR SOMETHING THAT DOESN'T EVEN-- SOMETHING THAT YOU
10 CAN EVEN USE. SO NOW I'VE BEEN SUED WITH THE AGENCY OF THE
11 GOVERNMENT FOR A MILLION DOLLARS TO PAY FOR THE REPAIR. AND I
12 JUST CLOSED MY BUSINESS, WHICH I WAS IN FASHION INDUSTRY. I
13 LOST A LOT OF MONEY IN MY BUSINESS. AND THEY KNOW MY
14 SITUATION. AND NOW MY QUESTION IS: WHY SUCH A BUILDING HAS TO
15 BE LEFT LOOSE AND BE IN TAX AUCTION? AND WHAT HAPPENED TO THE
16 MONEY THAT I PAID? AND I DON'T THINK ANYBODY DESERVED THAT
17 BECAUSE WE WORK SO HARD FOR OUR MONEY. AND I WAS TRYING TO USE
18 THAT WAREHOUSE FOR MY STORAGE BECAUSE WE REALIZED AFTER A FEW
19 YEARS THAT PEOPLE ARE STEALING A LOT OF MY GARMENTS AND
20 FABRICS, THE PEOPLE THAT WORKED FOR ME. SO I DON'T KNOW WHY
21 I'M SUED FOR A MILLION DOLLARS AND NOW IT'S COSTING ME ANOTHER
22 \$50,000 ON TOP OF IT TO PAY A LAWYER TO DEFEND ME. AND I DON'T
23 KNOW WHERE THIS IS GOING TO GO. SO I NEED SOME ANSWERS.
24
25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

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1

2 **TAMARA MARIZADEH:** LOS ANGELES.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHICH PART OF LOS ANGELES?

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6 **TAMARA MARIZADEH:** WEST L.A.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WEST L.A. SUPERVISOR KUEHL WILL HAVE A
9 DEPUTY TALK TO YOU WHEN YOU GO OVER AND SIT IN THE FRONT ROW.
10 SHE'LL COME OVER.

11

12 **TAMARA MARIZADEH:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ASK COUNTY COUNSEL. WHEN THEY
15 SELL PROPERTIES, IS THE PROPERTY AS IS? OR ARE WE RESPONSIBLE
16 FOR--

17

18 **TAMARA MARIZADEH:** CAN I SAY SOMETHING? WELL WHEN I TALKED TO
19 THEM, THEY SAID THERE'S A PHONE NUMBER YOU CAN CALL. SO I
20 CALLED. SO I TALKED TO THE AGENCY WHICH WORKS FOR THE
21 GOVERNMENT TO DO THE CLEANUP. SO SHE SAID YOU GO TO OUR
22 WEBSITE AND ALL THE INFORMATION IS THERE. SO THERE WAS A GUY
23 ACTUALLY HE WAS SELLING ME THIS BUILDING IN THE AUCTION. HE'S
24 THE GUY WHO GOES AND BUYS AND THEN HE SELLS IT TO YOU. SO WHEN
25 WE WENT TO THE INFORMATION ON THE WEBSITE, THE WEBSITE WAS

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1 SAYING THAT THEY ALREADY COLLECT A MILLION AND A HALF FROM THE
2 PREVIOUS OWNER. AND IT'S COVERED FOR WHATEVER THEY'RE DOING.
3 AND WHATEVER INFORMATION THEY HAD ON THE SITE WAS
4 MISINFORMATION BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T SAY HOW BAD THE BUILDING
5 IS. OR I DON'T THINK ANY ORDINARY PEOPLE THEY CAN UNDERSTAND
6 THE WHOLE LANGUAGE OF THE PROBLEM OF THE BUILDING. AND THEY'RE
7 SELLING IT TO THE ORDINARY PEOPLE.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TALK TO THE SUPERVISORS AND WE'LL
10 FOLLOW UP. THANK YOU. MR. LUCAS. YES, MA'AM.

11

12 **ESTHER RAMOS:** BUENOS TARDES. MY NAME IS ESTHER RAMOS. I'M A
13 RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES. I AM CONCERNED FOR MY SON WHO IS
14 INCARCERATED IN LANCASTER. SUPPOSEDLY HE'S SUPPOSED TO BE
15 TRIED EQUALLY AS OTHERS. UNFORTUNATELY, HE'S A DRUG ADDICT.
16 FOR THAT CAUSE, THEY HAVE TAKEN AWAY HIS VISITATION RIGHTS. HE
17 ISN'T ABLE TO SHOWER. VERY LITTLE FOOD. AND HE DOES NOT GO
18 OUTSIDE. THAT'S WHY I'M HERE ASKING FOR HELP. AND I'M HERE
19 ASKING IF HE COULD ATTEND OR BE ADMITTED TO A REHABILITATION
20 CENTER IN LANCASTER. AND HE HAS ASKED FOR A DIVERSION PROGRAM,
21 AND WHICH THEY INDICATE THEY DO NOT HAVE ONE. THANK YOU. HER
22 SON WILL ADDRESS YOU.

23

24 **JESUS RAMOS:** THANK YOU. I'M JESUS RAMOS. I'M A RESIDENT OF THE
25 CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN BEHALF OF MY

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1 BROTHER WHO IS IMPRISONED IN LANCASTER. HE ACTUALLY HAS
2 WRITTEN A LETTER LISTING A COUPLE OF THINGS, IF YOU DON'T
3 MIND--

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ON MY TIME. IS HE IN PRISON OR IS HE
6 IN A COUNTY JAIL?

7

8 **JESUS RAMOS:** HE'S IN PRISON.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HE'S IN STATE PRISON, SO AS FAR AS THE
11 DIVERSION EFFORT. OKAY. YOU CAN START OVER THE TIME. READ THE
12 LETTER.

13

14 **JESUS RAMOS:** SO IF YOU WOULDN'T MIND, I WOULD LIKE TO--

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PLEASE.

17

18 **JESUS RAMOS:** QUOTE HIM IN A COUPLE OF THINGS THAT HE SAYS IN
19 THE LETTER. WELL TO STAY OUT OF TROUBLE INSTEAD, I AM DOWN AS
20 A QUOTE/UNQUOTE PROGRAM FAILURE FOR EIGHT MONTHS WHEN THE MAX
21 IS SIX. THIS IS I FEEL A VIOLATION OF RIGHTS. ANOTHER PART OF
22 THE LETTER CLEARLY STATES THAT HIS TOILET HAS BEEN BROKEN FOR
23 ALMOST THREE MONTHS AND NOBODY HAS HELPED HIM OUT. AND PEOPLE--
24 - HE FOUND OUT LATER THAT IT WAS INTENTIONAL AS HE HAS BEEN
25 QUOTE/UNQUOTE DEEMED AS A DRUG ADDICT. THEY GIVE HIM VERY

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1 LITTLE FOOD. HE'S BEEN THERE FOR A WHILE. AND IT'S NOT LIKE
2 HE-- THIS IS NEW TO HIM. AND HE'S JUST STARTING TO GET USED TO
3 THE CUSTOMS FOR PRISON. HE'S BEEN THERE FOR 11 YEARS. I'M
4 ASSUMING THAT THEY'RE TRYING TO PROVOKE HIM AS HIS SENTENCE
5 SHOULD HAVE BEEN 8 YEARS BUT HAS BEEN EXTENDED PAST THAT. I
6 KNOW THAT YOU ALL HAVE SEEN PLENTY OF-- HAVE HEARD FROM MANY
7 PEOPLE FOR A LOT OF CASES THROUGHOUT THE AGENDA. AND I'M
8 HOPING THAT YOU'LL TAKE TIME AWAY FROM YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE TO
9 ADDRESS THIS AS HE HAS BEEN MISTREATED AND THE LAW HAS INDEED
10 BEEN BROKEN. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AFTER YOU ALL TESTIFY, I'M HAVING MY
13 DEPUTY COME DOWN TO TALK TO YOU ON THE SIDE. BUT WE'LL FOLLOW
14 UP ON THAT. YES, SIR. ARE YOU THE PASTOR?

15

16 **JOSHUA SMITH:** YEAH, MY NAME IS DR. JOSHUA SMITH. I AM A
17 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LOVING TO LEARN, WHICH IS A HEALTH
18 EDUCATION-SOCIAL SERVICES ASSOCIATION FOR CRISIS INTERVENTION
19 AND LIFE EMPOWERMENT. OF COURSE, THAT'S THE REALIZATION OF
20 BEING HERE, NOT JUST TO BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR. BUT I HEAR A LOT
21 OF THESE SITUATIONS ON A FREQUENT BASIS IN TERMS OF MINISTRY
22 AS WELL AS COMMUNITY ACTIVISM AND CONCERN. AND THE THING THAT
23 I AM CONCERNED ABOUT IS THE LENGTH OF TIME. I HAVE SEEN
24 SITUATIONS LIKE THIS. HE ACTUALLY HAS 12 YEARS. THIS IS HIS
25 11TH YEAR. AND IN SOME CASES OR NOT MANY, THESE CASES

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1 ACTUALLY, YOU KNOW, IN GOOD BEHAVIOR ARE REDUCED. AND HE
2 ADMITTEDLY HAS ALWAYS BEEN IN NEED OF SOME ISSUES INVOLVING
3 DRUG ADDICTION. AS A MATTER OF FACT, THE FACT THAT HE WAS
4 FIRST INCARCERATED WAS BASED ON PROBABLY INFLUENCES THAT WERE
5 GIVEN TO DRUGS AT 19 YEARS OF AGE. OF COURSE YOU ALL ARE
6 FAMILIAR WITH OBAMA AND WHAT HE'S BEEN DOING AT THIS POINT IN
7 TERMS OF DEALING WITH NONVIOLENT OFFENDERS. BUT I'M MORE
8 CONCERNED THAT THERE WAS SOMETHING POSSIBLE THAT HE WOULD BE
9 ABLE TO GET INTO A DIVERSION PROGRAM INSTEAD OF ON OUR TAX
10 PAYING DOLLARS IN PRISON. AND PERHAPS THAT'S WHAT HE'S CRYING
11 OUT FOR. THAT'S WHAT HIS FAMILY IS CONCERNED ABOUT. AND SO I
12 OBVIOUSLY BEG YOUR ATTENTION AND THIS REALIZATION IN TERMS OF
13 CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WAIT OVER THERE WHEN SHE COMES DOWN.
16 SHE'LL TALK TO YOU, PASTOR. ONE MOMENT, MR. LUCAS. LET ME ALSO
17 CALL UP ESTHER RAMOS. ESTHER ALREADY SPOKE. I BELIEVE. JESUS
18 RAMOS IS THE BROTHER. HE ALREADY SPOKE. JOSE MARTINEZ. STENSON
19 TOLAN. ERIC PREVEN. MR. LUCAS.

20

21 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON ONCE AGAIN. YOU HAVE TO LISTEN TO
22 THAT, MY HANDS AND MY PALMS ARE SWEATING. YOU KNOW, I'D LIKE
23 TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS TO J.P.L. AND N.A.S.A. WITH THEIR PROBE
24 THAT MADE IT TO PLUTO. THAT WAS ABSOLUTELY IMPRESSIVE. PLUS
25 I'D LIKE TO LEAVE AN OPEN INVITATION TO ALL OF THE SUPERVISORS

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1 ABOUT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR, LIKE FROM NOVEMBER, WHICH IS
2 MY BIRTHDAY MONTH. YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT. SCORPIO. TO JANUARY TO
3 THE NEW B.H.S. FACILITY HOPEFULLY BY DECEMBER/JANUARY. IT
4 WOULD MEAN A LOT. THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT ARE REALLY IN
5 IT FOR THE LONG HAUL OVER THERE. AND JUST A LITTLE
6 ACKNOWLEDGMENT. MR. ANTONOVICH'S OFFICE, UNBEKNOWNST TO ME,
7 SOMEBODY RECEIVED A SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP WHO IS AN EMPLOYEE THAT
8 I WORK WITH OVER THERE. AND WHEN I HEARD THAT SHE WAS GRANTED
9 THIS FUNDING FOR EDUCATION AND IT HAD YOUR SIGNATURE ON IT, IT
10 FELT LIKE I HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH THAT. I MEAN, YOU KNOW, I
11 DIDN'T, BUT I FELT REALLY GOOD ABOUT THAT. SO THERE'S A LOT OF
12 THINGS GOING ON. I HOPE EVERYBODY'S ENJOYING THIS SUMMER. I
13 LOVE THIS HEAT. TODAY WE HAVE MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL ALL-STAR
14 GAME. I CAN'T WAIT. WE HAD A COUPLE OF LOCAL GUYS IN A HOME
15 RUN DERBY LAST NIGHT. I WAS THOROUGHLY IMPRESSED. I WAS OUT AT
16 SALAZAR PARK YESTERDAY PLAYING BASEBALL WITH THE GUYS FROM THE
17 HIGH SCHOOL. I THINK HE SAID ROOSEVELT. AND HERE I THOUGHT I
18 WAS A DECENT ATHLETE. THERE WERE LIKE SIX OR EIGHT OF THESE
19 HIGH SCHOOL KIDS, I COULD HARDLY MOVE. THE FACT IS THEY ASKED
20 ME TO COME BACK NEXT WEEK BECAUSE I'M GOING TO PITCH THEM A
21 LITTLE BATTING PRACTICE. I GOT A LITTLE SOMETHING FOR THEM.
22 YOU GUYS HAVE A GOOD DAY.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ASTRID
25 LEHMKE. IRENE PANG. AND JOHN WALSH. MR. PREVEN?

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1

2 **STENSON TOLANR:** MY NAME IS STENSON TOLAN. GOOD AFTERNOON TO
3 THE SUPERVISORS. YOU ARE DOING THE A VERY EXCELLENT JOB. MY
4 CONCERN IS MY SON TOOK MY HOUSE FROM ME WHEN MY WIFE GOT SICK.
5 THIS WAS GOING ON TAKING ADVANTAGE OF DISABLED PEOPLE AND
6 SENIOR CITIZENS. I WANT TO SEE IF I CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT,
7 STAND UP AND DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. THIS IS NOT RIGHT, YOU
8 KNOW. THEN YOU GO TO THE OFFICIALS AND NOBODY DON'T TRY TO DO
9 NOTHING. CUT YOU OFF, YOU KNOW. SO SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE DONE.
10 BE ADDRESSED TO HELP THE SENIOR CITIZENS TAKING THEIR PROPERTY
11 AND STUFF.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHERE DO YOU LIVE, SIR?

14

15 **STENSON TOLAN:** 94TH STREET. 1539 WEST 94TH STREET IN LOS
16 ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IF YOU GO OVER TO THE CORNER THERE, A
19 REPRESENTATIVE FROM SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S OFFICE
20 WILL TALK TO YOU.

21

22 **STENSON TOLAN:** THANK YOU, SIR. MY BROTHER USED TO PLAY
23 BASEBALL, TOO. BOBBY TOLAN. HE WAS A BASEBALL PLAYER.

24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MY SHIRT-TAIL COUSIN WAS GEORGE
2 "CATFISH" METKOVIC, WHO PLAYED FOR THE CUBS AND THE MILWAUKEE
3 BRAVES AND MANAGER OF THE OAKLAND OAKS, PLAYED SAN DIEGO
4 PADRES.

5

6 **STENSON TOLAN** WE GOT ANOTHER COUSIN EDDIE TOLAN, RAN TRACK FOR
7 THE OLYMPICS IN 1939.

8

9 **>>SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** COOL. THANK YOU, SIR. MR. PREVEN.

10

11 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT IS ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
12 DISTRICT 3 AND ALSO A CLEANUP BATTER FOR THE VOGUE PAINT, BACK
13 IN LARCHMONT, NEW YORK. I WAS QUITE A HOME RUN HITTER MYSELF,
14 SIR. SO LOVE THAT STUFF. AND THANKS TO MR. LUCAS FOR ALL HE'S
15 DOING. I WANTED TO JUST FOCUS FOR A MINUTE ON SOME OF THE
16 UNFORTUNATE THINGS THAT HAPPENED OVER THE WEEKEND. I KNOW ON
17 SATURDAY, THE SHERIFF HAD A PRESS CONFERENCE BECAUSE THERE WAS
18 A TERRIBLE SITUATION AT THE JAIL AND HE HAD TO LET SOME PEOPLE
19 GO, WHICH OF COURSE WE ARE APPRECIATIVE OF AND OBVIOUSLY THERE
20 WILL BE A FULL INVESTIGATION. I DON'T KNOW MUCH OF THE DETAILS
21 BUT I THOUGHT IT WAS APPROPRIATE TO BRING THAT FORWARD BECAUSE
22 WE HAVE BEEN GRAPPLING WITH THAT PROBLEM. I KNOW HE'S TAKING A
23 LEADERSHIP ROLE THERE. I WOULD LIKE TO SIGNAL THE COUNTY
24 COUNSEL FOR BRINGING FORWARD A USE-OF-FORCE MANUAL, WHICH IS A
25 DOCUMENT THAT'S IMPORTANT. THE C.C.J.V. CALLED FOR IT. THEY

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1 HAVE SENT ONE OVER WITH THE RIGHT NUMBER OF PAGES. I'LL TAKE A
2 LOOK AT IT. I'M VERY OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THAT I WOULD JUST SAY
3 ABOUT THE MEETINGS TODAY IN THE BOARDROOM, IT'S GREAT TO HAVE
4 MEETINGS IN PUBLIC. AND I THINK THAT SOMEBODY REFERENCED THE
5 CLOSED-DOOR SESSIONS ARE A LITTLE OUT OF CONTROL AND I AGREE.
6 AND I THINK THAT MEETING WITH, FOR EXAMPLE, THE OFFICE OF
7 CHILD PROTECTION CANDIDATES ON AN ODD DAY THAT'S NOT A BOARD
8 MEETING DOESN'T GIVE A SORT OF OPEN FEELING. SO I WOULD
9 RECOMMEND IN THE FUTURE IF YOU WOULD BRING THEM INTO ORDINARY
10 BOARD, WE HAVE PLENTY OF ATTENTION HERE READY TO GO. FINALLY I
11 JUST WANT TO SAY THANKS TO MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR THAT MOTION
12 ABOUT THE \$21 MILLION FOUND TO BE APPLIED TO YOUTHFUL
13 SOLUTIONS FOR CHARACTERS THAT HAVE BEEN SAVED OVER TIME.
14 THAT'S GREAT NEWS. AND ONE CONSTRUCTIVE SUGGESTION IS, YOU
15 KNOW, I'M OFTEN TALKING ABOUT HOW WE SHOULD NOT INCARCERATE
16 PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT DANGEROUS, BUT WHAT ABOUT THE FOLKS WHO ARE
17 DANGEROUS AND ARE ACTUALLY GANG-LIKE PLAYERS? AND SOMETHING
18 THAT'S BEEN VERY EFFECTIVE IN RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA THERE WAS
19 AN ARTICLE ON JULY 5TH IN THE "NEW YORK TIMES" ABOUT IT TALKED
20 BY DEVON L. BOGAN, IT TALKS ABOUT FINANCIAL INCENTIVES AND HOW
21 IT WORKS. WE DO IT HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. WE PAY PEOPLE FOR
22 THEIR GUNS. BUT THIS WAS DIFFERENT. THIS WAS BUYING THE GUNS
23 BUT ALSO GIVING YOUNG CHARACTERS WHO MIGHT BE DANGEROUS AND
24 IMPLEMENTING DIFFICULTY A SMALL SALARY TO STAY OUT OF TROUBLE.
25 NOW I KNOW IT SOUNDS ANTITHETICAL TO WHAT WE'RE ALL ABOUT, BUT

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1 IT'S BEEN EXTREMELY EFFECTIVE. THEY HAVE SEEN A 70 SOMETHING
2 PERCENT DECREASE IN GUN VIOLENCE. JUST IN CONCLUSION, IT'S ONE
3 SECOND, WE HAVE SEEN AN ENORMOUS UPTICK--

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ASTRID.

6

7 **ASTRID LEHMKER:** YES, HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU FOR-- IT IS
8 WITH A HEAVY HEART THAT I COME IN TODAY. I HAVE BEEN THE
9 VICTIM OF A 12-YEAR HIGH CUSTODY CONSTANT BATTLE THAT JUST
10 ENDED LAST FRIDAY. AND THE DECISION THAT WAS MADE BY THE
11 HONORABLE JUDGE HOFFER WAS THAT I HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO CUSTODY
12 AND NO CONTACT WITH MY SON WHATSOEVER. NOW, I BELIEVE THAT
13 THIS IS ILLEGAL, AND I DO PLAN TO APPEAL. THIS HAS BEEN THE--
14 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF PROBABLY HOMICIDE BEING INVOLVED, ONE OF
15 THE MOST HORRIFIC EXPERIENCES AS FAR AS A PARENT CAN GO
16 THROUGH. OUR SON HAS AUTISM. HE ALSO HAS EPILEPSY. HE IS VERY
17 SICK, VERY FRAGILE. AND HAS BEEN DENIED HIS MOTHER. FOR THE
18 LAST YEAR I HAVE NOT SEEN HIM. I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO SPEAK
19 TO HIM. WHEN ASKED BY-- WHEN I ASKED THE JUDGE WHY, HE SAID
20 THAT BECAUSE MY EX HIRED A NEUROLOGIST WHO TESTIFIED THAT I
21 WAS STRESSING MY CHILD OUT, I HAVE LOST 50 PERCENT CUSTODY,
22 WHICH I HELD FOR THE LAST 10 YEARS SINCE MY DIVORCE. AND I
23 HAVE LOST ALL CONTACT WITH MY SON. I BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A
24 HORRIBLE CRIME AGAINST NOT ONLY MYSELF BUT ALSO MY SON. HIS
25 FATHER IS CONTROLLING. HIS FATHER'S A VERY WEALTHY ACTOR,

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1 OKAY. AND HE HAS A HIT SHOW. AND BASICALLY MONEY HAS TALKED IN
2 THIS SITUATION. IT HAS TAKEN MY SON AWAY FROM ME. I HAVE NOT
3 BEEN GUILTY OF ANYTHING, ANYTHING. AND IF YOU LOOK INTO MY
4 CASE, YOU WILL SEE WHAT I AM BEING CHARGED WITH HERE AND HOW
5 THIS IS SO INJUST. MY CASE NUMBER IS BD396326.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP OSCAR
8 JOHNSON MOHAMMED. AND ALSO WAYNE SPINDLER. AND ARNOLD SACHS.
9 YES, IRENE.

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11 **IRENE PANG:** MY NAME IS IRENE. I CONCERNED HOW LONG THE CREDIT
12 OF MY FAMILY MEMBERS IN THE PRESENT TIME. MY FAMILY MEMBERS
13 NEED THE POSITION OF THE GOVERNMENT. IN FACT, U.S. UNDER
14 DIFFERENT KIND ATTACK MANY MY FAMILY MEMBERS AND I HAVE BEEN
15 FAITHFUL IN WORKING HARD TO PROTECT ALL THE NATION U.S. AND
16 ALSO WE HAVE U.S. ALSO HAVE BEEN IMPORTANT U.S. OTHERWISE U.S.
17 HAVE BEEN CONNECT DIFFERENT KIND OF ATTACK [INAUDIBLE] IN
18 PRESENT TIME. I HAD A QUESTION. DOES ANYONE [INAUDIBLE] OWN
19 THEIR PROPERTY AND TOLD THE ROLE OF SUPPORTING AWAY FROM THE
20 BUILDING EVEN CAUSE THE KILLING AND THE INJURY, THE PERSONS
21 INSIDE THE BUILDING. SAME THE SITUATION FALL DOWN SUDDENLY IN
22 THE [INAUDIBLE] HE WORKED WITH ABIG CASE. THIS BUILDING
23 LOCATED IN 11635 RAND BOULEVARD, EL MONTE WHICH IS A MATTER OF
24 DANGER TO ALL. AND THESE THE BUILDING, THE ILLEGAL OCCUPANTS
25 NEED TO FOLLOW THE GOVERNMENT AND COURT ORDERS. IN FACT, THE

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1 LEGAL OWNERS NEED THE OWNERSHIP CONFIRMING. MY SMALL HOUSE, I
2 HAVE PAID IN FULL \$160,000 IN NOVEMBER 18, 2013 .EVEN THOUGH
3 MY BROTHER OWNED THE SAME HOUSE ABOUT 20 YEARS AGO I REQUEST
4 THE GOVERNMENT EXECUTE THE LAW, I WANT COMMON LAW AND EYE ON
5 THIS CASE IN EL MONTE BY PEOPLE THAT RUN THE SPACE. AND I WANT
6 THE HOUSE REGULATION WAYS FROM THE MANY--

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MISS PANG. THANK YOU VERY
9 MUCH.

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11 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG
12 RIGHT HERE CHECK IT OUT. SOME PEOPLE HERE COMPLAINING ABOUT
13 THE CONDITIONS IN PRISON? WELL, DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. BUILD A
14 TUNNEL! AND IF YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO BUILD A TUNNEL, FIND OUT
15 IF THERE ARE ANY MEXICAN PRISONERS IN JAIL WITH YOU, THEY ARE
16 EXPERTS IN BUILDING TUNNELS. FOOLPROOF. SUPERVISOR,
17 UNFORTUNATELY HE'S BEING REPLACED, ANTONOVICH, ANYBODY BUT
18 ENGLANDER. HE'S PRETENDING TO BE A DEMOCRAT WHEN HE'S AROUND
19 DEMOCRATS AND HE'S SAYING HE'S REALLY REPUBLICAN WHEN HE'S
20 AROUND REPUBLICANS. ANYBODY BUT ENGLANDER FOR SUPERVISOR. THE
21 FOUNTAINS OUT HERE? ONE GOOD THING ABOUT GARCETTI, HE'S TURNED
22 OFF THE WATER AT ALL OUR FOUNTAINS. WE ARE WASTING WATER
23 THROUGH EVAPORATION. I BROUGHT IT UP OVER AND OVER AGAIN. THE
24 L.A. TIMES DOESN'T GIVE A SYPHILITIC RAT'S AS WHETHER THE
25 WATER IS BEING WASTED OR NOT. I WANT TO SAY WHAT A WONDERFUL

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1 MEETING THIS IS. ANY MEETING WITHOUT ZEV YAROSLAVSKY IS A
2 WONDERFUL MEETING. AND I WANT TO SALUTE AND I'M NOT BEING
3 SARCASTIC RIGHT NOW SHEILA KUEHL BECAUSE WHEN SHE CAME HERE,
4 SHE WAS TOLD IMMEDIATELY THAT IN THE FOSTER CARE INSTITUTIONS
5 THAT WE PAY, WHERE MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS HAS A FRIEND WHO RUNS IT
6 THAT, BLACK PIMPS, OH EXCUSE ME, TRAFFICKERS, BLACK PIMPS,
7 WERE BEING ALLOWED INTO THE FOSTER CARE TO RECRUIT BLACK
8 CHILDREN AS PROSTITUTES. SHE BROUGHT IT UP. EVERYBODY KNEW
9 ABOUT IT. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS KNEW ABOUT IT. AND IF HE'S-- I'M
10 A LIAR BECAUSE HE--

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I TAKE OFFENSE TO THAT. YOUR TIME IS
13 UP. (OFF MIC COMMENTS CONTINUE).

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR? I'M DOING ALL THAT I CAN TO
16 RESTRAIN MYSELF.

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18 **OSCAR MOHAMMED:** YES, MY NAME IS OSCAR MOHAMMED. I SPEAK FOR
19 THE POOR. I SPEAK FOR THE OPPRESSED. I SPEAK FOR THE POOR. I
20 LIKE TO SPEAK A LITTLE ABOUT RELIGION, ALSO ABOUT SOCIAL
21 RESPONSIBILITY. I'D LIKE TO TELL A LITTLE JOKE. IT WAS THE
22 POPE, IT WAS THE POLITICIAN AND IT WAS COMEDIAN AND THEY HAD
23 THE VOTE TO BE ASKED. THEY ASKED THE PEOPLE WHICH WOULD YOU
24 LIKE TO HEAR FROM? THE POPE, THE POLITICIAN OR THE COMEDIAN.
25 PEOPLE SAID WE'D RATHER LISTEN TO THE COMEDIAN. ANYWAY, WE

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1 SHOULD BRIDGE POLITICAL RESPONSIBILITY. WE SHOULD END
2 CORRUPTION IN GOVERNMENT. THE TRUE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT, ISLAM
3 GOVERNMENT, THE MUSLIMS WERE FIRST. AFTER HAPPENING IN
4 CAROLINA DOWN THERE, THEY TOOK THE CONFEDERATE FLAG, IT MEANT
5 FAMILY, BROTHERHOOD. IT CAME FROM QUR'AN, SURAH 33, CALLED
6 IHAD. READ IT TRANSLATED IN ENGLISH. THE MUSLIMS WERE IN
7 CALIFORNIA FIRST. THE WORD CALIFORNIA CAME FROM THE MUSLIM
8 WORD CALIF. THE MUSLIMS WERE HERE FIRST. WE HAVE PROOF THOUGH,
9 BUT WE SHOULD END BLACK AMERICANS SLEEPING ON SKID ROW. WE
10 SHOULD END UNJUST LAWS. WE SHOULD END IMMORAL LAWS. BUT IN THE
11 LAST DAYS, GOD SAID HE'S GOING TO TAKE THE WEALTH OUT OF THE
12 HAND OF THE UNRIGHTEOUS AND PUT THE WEALTH IN THE HAND OF THE
13 RIGHTEOUS AND HE'S DOING IT THROUGH THE LEADERSHIP OF IMAM
14 WRAITH DEEN MOHAMMED IN CHICAGO. BECAUSE I REMEMBER BACK IN
15 1985 IMAM MOHAMMED, HE PURCHASED OVER 1,000 PRODUCTS. TODAY
16 THE AMERICAN MUSLIM MISSION CO-OP IS THE LARGEST BUYING CLUB
17 IN AMERICA. HE IS TRYING TO BUILD AN ECONOMIC ENTERPRISE AS
18 HIS FATHER DID, THE GREAT SOCIAL REFORMER, THE HONORABLE
19 ELIJAH MOHAMMED.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. TIME'S UP. MR. SPINDLER?

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23 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** OKAY. JUST LOOKING AROUND AT THE GAS PRICES
24 LATELY, WHY AREN'T YOU DOING ANYTHING ABOUT IT? THIS IS PRICE-
25 FIXING. HOW CAN YOU HAVE JUMPS IN GAS AT THIS TYPE OF LEVEL?

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1 ALL OVER THE COUNTRY YOU CAN BUY GAS AT NORMAL PRICES EXCEPT
2 THIS PLACE. I GO TO THE CHEAPEST GAS STATION THAT I THOUGHT WE
3 USED TO HAVE, NOW THEY'RE \$4.14 A GALLON. I PAID 3.19 A MONTH
4 AGO. I MEAN, THIS IS AN ABSOLUTE DISASTER. THESE REFINERY
5 COMPANIES ARE OUT OF CONTROL. AND THEY ALWAYS SEEM TO DO IT
6 RIGHT AT THE SUMMER DRIVING MONTHS WHEN EVERYBODY'S ON
7 VACATION. IT'S DISGUSTING. IT'S RACIST. AND IT HURTS THE
8 PEOPLE AT THE LOWEST INCOME LEVELS. AND IT'S A DECIMATION TO
9 THE ECONOMY. AND YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE A HEARING ABOUT IT. CALL
10 IN SOME OF THESE REFINERS, NOT THE OIL COMPANIES, THE REFINERY
11 OWNERS. OH, I'M SORRY, YOU CAN'T DO THAT BECAUSE THEY'RE
12 CAMPAIGN DONORS, RIGHT? THEY'RE JUST LIKE THE CAMPAIGN DONORS.
13 SPECIAL INTERESTS. SO THERE'S ALWAYS A WALL. LIKE THE LADY
14 TALKING ABOUT HER SON AT ADELANTO. THAT IS OWNED BY C.C.A.
15 CORPORATION OF AMERICA. THEY'RE A PRIVATE JAIL COMPANY THAT
16 LEASES OUT SPACE. AND THEY HOLD IMMIGRANTS THERE. AND THEY GET
17 PAID EVERY DAY AND MAKE THESE PEOPLE WAIT YEARS SOMETIMES TO
18 SEE THEIR FAMILY ON MISDEMEANOR CHARGES, DRUG POSSESSION
19 MISDEMEANOR CHARGES. SO WE LIVE IN DISGUSTING TIMES. AND,
20 FINALLY, AS MR. WALSH SAID, WHAT IS GOING ON WITH THESE PIMPS?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP THE SIGMUND
23 FAMILY? MR. SACHS.

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, EXCUSE ME. GOOD
2 AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. AND I'M REALLY SURPRISED YOU DID NOT
3 HAVE A PROCLAMATION IN TODAY'S NEWSPAPER. THE BLUE LINE, 25
4 YEARS. I'M JUST SURPRISED THAT YOU DIDN'T RECOGNIZE METRO'S
5 ACCOMPLISHMENTS. I MEAN, JUST THINK WHERE YOU WOULD HAVE BEEN
6 IF YOU HAD BEEN ON THE RIGHT TRACK AND CONTINUED THAT BLUE
7 LINE THROUGH DOWNTOWN L.A. TO PASADENA AS IT WAS ORIGINALLY
8 PLANNED? OF COURSE, THE WAY IT IS NOW, YOU BUILT THE SUBWAY TO
9 UNION STATION, WHICH MEANS YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO BUILD THE BLUE
10 LINE, WHICH MEANT PEOPLE COULD POCKET THAT MONEY. AND BY
11 BUILDING THE SUBWAY TO UNION STATION, IT KEPT THE PURPLE LINE
12 AS IT IS CALLED FROM HEADING WESTBOUND WHICH SATISFIED THE
13 NIMBYISM IN YAROSLAVSKY'S DISTRICT. AND NOW YOU HAVE THE GOLD
14 LINE WHERE YOU FUNNEL MONEY TO AN UNNAMED CONSTRUCTION
15 AUTHORITY. 25 YEARS FOR THE BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION. 25 YEARS,
16 NOT QUITE 25 YEARS, 15, 20 YEARS, 15 YEARS FOR THE
17 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY WHICH AGAIN AS I SAID EARLIER GOT THE
18 MONEY, ACCORDING TO SUPERVISOR MOLINA. BUT THAT'S IT. DIDN'T
19 GET-- SO HERE WOULD BE A QUESTION FOR THE COUNTY COUNSEL. THE
20 BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY GETS THE MONEY. BUT THE
21 CONSTRUCTION, THE GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY GETS THE
22 SAME. SO IS THAT CONTENT OVER FORM? THAT'S THE QUESTION.
23 BECAUSE COUNTY COUNSEL ALWAYS AGREES TO THE FORM ON CONTRACTS.
24 BUT IT'S THE CONTENT THAT REALLY COUNTS. SO I'M SURPRISED.
25 MAYBE NEXT WEEK WE'LL HAVE A PROCLAMATION FOR THE BLUE LINE.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

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4 **TERESIJA SIGMUND:** HELLO. I AM HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF
5 ASTRID LEHMKE AND MAINLY DILLON. I HAVE MET THIS FAMILY A LONG
6 TIME AGO. IT HAS BEEN VERY APPARENT THROUGH TWO DEPENDENCY
7 COURT PROCEEDINGS AS WELL AS MY OWN EYEWITNESS ACCOUNTS OF HOW
8 MUCH THIS CHILD LOVES HIS MOTHER AND THAT THE D.C.F.S. HAS
9 AFTER VICIOUSLY GOING AFTER THE MOTHER HAS CONCLUDED AND THE
10 JUDGE THAT THE FATHER WAS THE ONE SEVERELY EMOTIONALLY ABUSING
11 THE CHILD BY FORCING HIM TO ALIENATE HIM FROM HIS MOTHER. BUT
12 I DON'T UNDERSTAND IT. IS THERE JUDICIAL ESTOPPEL OR
13 SOMETHING? I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW TWO DEPENDENCY PROCEEDINGS
14 FIND THIS MOTHER IN THE CLEAR AND THE FATHER AS BAD AND HERE
15 WE GO TO ANOTHER JUDGE IN FAMILY COURT AND THIS MOTHER DOESN'T
16 SEE HER CHILD FOR 11 MONTHS. LAST TIME I SAW THIS MOTHER, I
17 WAS AT THE PARK WITH MY OWN CHILDREN. AND I SAW DILLON HAS SO
18 MUCH FUN DANCING. IT WAS A CLOVER FIELD PARK EVENT. IT'S ONCE
19 A YEAR. I SUGGEST EVERY FAMILY GO. IT'S A LOVELY EVENT FOR THE
20 KIDS. THE MOTHER WAS CHEERING ON. IT WAS HAPPIEST PEOPLE. HOW
21 COME TWO WEEKS LATER SHE NEVER SEES HER CHILD AGAIN? JUST TO
22 SEE HOW HORRIBLE THIS ALIENATION IS, IN MY OWN CASE MY
23 CHILDREN WERE DESPERATELY FORCED TO WHEN THEY WERE IN FOSTER
24 CARE-- THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO BE NOT NICE TO ME AND IT HAS
25 REALLY LEFT SCARS. MY OWN SIX-YEAR-OLD THE OTHER DAY GIVE ME A

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1 PIECE OF PAPER THAT HE MADE WHERE HE LOVES ME. HE SAID,
2 "MOMMY, KEEP THAT IN CASE THEY TAKE ME FROM YOU, GIVE IT TO
3 THE JUDGE AS EVIDENCE." WHAT A SCAR THIS LITTLE CHILD HAS AT
4 SIX YEARS OLD FROM BEING IN FOSTER CARE FOR SO LONG, WHERE THE
5 APPEALS COURT WAITED 2-1/2 YEARS TO MAKE A DECISION, LIKE A
6 SHELF OF PAPER, THAT YOU SHELVE CHILDREN, FOR THE KIDS TO GIVE
7 ME STUFF AND SAYS, "TAKE IT IN EVIDENCE IN COURT IN CASE THEY
8 EVER TAKE ME AWAY FROM YOU." SO YOU ARE OBVIOUSLY NOT DOING
9 YOUR JOBS AT ALL, BRINGING ANY JUSTICE TO ANYBODY. AND I
10 RECOMMEND YOU LOOK INTO THE CASE WITH DILLON AND ASTRID.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

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14 **SPEAKER:** I AM ALSO A WITNESS OF DILLON'S HAPPINESS WITH HIS
15 MOTHER. LAST TIME I SAW HIM HE WAS DANCING, REALLY HAPPY WITH
16 HIS MOTHER AND FROLICKING. AND THEY WERE AT THIS EVENT LIKE A
17 PICNIC AND I SAW THIS PICTURE BOOK OF DILLON WITH HIS MOTHER.
18 THEY WERE SO HAPPY TOGETHER. AND THAT WHEN SHE-- WHEN HER SON
19 WAS TAKEN AWAY AND THEN SHE ON JULY 3RD SHE GOT HIM BACK HE
20 WAS WAY BIGGER AND HEAVIER THAN HE WAS BEFORE. AND ABOUT ME
21 AND I AM ALSO A VICTIM OF THIS FOSTER CARE THINGY, THAT I
22 NEVER GOT MY STUFF RETURNED WHEN I WAS WITH MY MOTHER. AND THE
23 MAN I HAD TO LIVE WITH WOULD HOLD MY NECK VICIOUSLY, LIKE
24 REALLY HARD. AND I DISLIKED IT. AND I WAS TOLD NOT TO--
25 (CRYING) BE.

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2 **TERESIJA SIGMUND:** IT'S THE TRAUMA THAT COMES WITH CHILDREN
3 THAT ARE ABUSED IN THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM. TELL HIM WHAT THEY
4 TELL YOU IF YOU WANT TO. IT'S OKAY. HE WAS TOLD TO BE NOT NICE
5 TO ME OTHERWISE HE WOULD BE FORCED TO LIVE WITH HIS HORRIBLE
6 MOTHER. HE WAS PHYSICALLY ABUSED, THEY WERE SEXUALLY EXPLOITED
7 AND YOU HAVE NOT DONE ONE INVESTIGATION INTO THE WOMAN,

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9 AND THIS MAN THAT PHYSICALLY
10 ABUSED MY CHILDREN, SEXUALLY EXPLOITED THEM. AND I HAVE BEEN
11 COMING HERE FOR YEARS BEFORE I GOT MY KIDS BACK TELLING YOU
12 THIS, AND HAVE TOLD YOU ALL ABOUT IT WHEN THEY'RE HOME. IT
13 JUST TAKES TIME. AND THEY HAVE BEEN TOLD HORRIBLE THINGS ABOUT
14 THEIR MOTHER. WHEN THEY WERE TOLD TO COME BACK TO ME THEY WERE
15 ACTUALLY SCARED BECAUSE THEY WERE TOLD HORRIBLE THINGS WOULD
16 HAPPEN TO THEM. AND YOU INVESTIGATE NONE OF IT. WHY IS THAT?
17 NOW YOU TELL THEM WHAT YOU WANT.

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19 **SPEAKER:** NO. I WANT MY STUFF BACK. WE WANT ASTRID, OUR FRIEND,
20 HAVING HER CHILD BACK, DILLON. AND IT'S ALL NONSENSE. AND YOU
21 SHOULD STOP IT. YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE CHILD GET TAKEN AWAY, SO
22 BAD NONSENSE. THERE'S JUST NOTHING EASILY DOING.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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1 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
2 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO.
4 C.S.-1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT
5 EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE; ITEM NO. C.S.-3, DEPARTMENT
6 HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATION; ITEM C.S.-4, CONFERENCE WITH
7 LABOR NEGOTIATOR SACHI HAMAI AND DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED
8 ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS. IN ADDITION, THE BOARD
9 MADE A FINDING OF URGENCY IN THE NEED TO DISCUSS ITEM NO.
10 C.S.-5 PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9. THANK YOU.

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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION JULY 14, 2015**

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5 CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

6 (Paragrah (2) of Subdivision (d) of of Government Code Section
7 54956.9) Significant exposure to litigation (one case) (13-
8 3024)

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10 The Board authorized settlement by the County and the Housing
11 Authority with the United States Department of Justice and the
12 cities of Palmdale and Lancaster, if it chooses to
13 participate, in a dispute alleging discriminatory Section 8
14 enforcement practices in the Antelope Valley.

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16 The details of the settlement will be made available once
17 finalized by all parties.

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19 The vote of the Board on the monetary items was 4-0 with
20 Supervisor Knabe being absent. The vote of the Board on the
21 remedial measures was 3-1 with Supervisors Solis, Ridley-
22 Thomas, and Kuehl voting aye, Supervisor Antonovich voting no,
23 and Supervisor Knabe being absent.

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1 In Open Session item CS-2 was continued one week to July 21,
2 2015.

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4 No reportable action was taken on items CS-3, CS-4 or CS-5.

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3 hereby certify:

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11 me.

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13 related to any party to the said action; nor
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
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